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Pupils at special school abused over three years

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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PUPILS of a special school were subjected to three years of abuse, in which they were manhandled and locked in classrooms.

'Inappropriate restraint' was used as a first resort at Gatehouse School in Stantonbury, which officers say 'should never be used as a resort at all'.

The school, which caters for boys aged 12-16 with behavioural problems, was led by headteacher Suzanne Bell, whose suspension was revealed by MK NEWS in October, 2008.

At a press conference on Monday, Sharon Scott, council director of young people's services, detailed the types of restraint used between 2005 and 2008.

In one case, Mrs Scott described how two members of staff would stand on either side of a child, holding his legs and arms while pushing him onto a sofa.

During this period children reportedly suffered from bruising.

A summary of a report into the management of the boys' school, which employs 40 staff and has some children boarding, was also released this week.

But MK NEWS saw a copy of the full report on Tuesday.

It reveals that a formal complaint has been made to police but this cannot be reported pending the outcome of a possible criminal investigation.

It also says the council's audit team is investigating a number of irregularities concerning the award of maintenance contracts and the use of school funds and equipment.

The report goes on to say it employed many untrained staff some of whom had no previous employment checks while complaints and serious allegations of



Gatehouse School in Stantonbury: Boys with behavioural problems were locked in classrooms and 'inappropriate restraint was used

abuse made by parents about staff at the school were not appropriately referred.

The vague records of physical intervention pose questions for the report, such as six staff being involved in one incident. It asks: 'Did six people restrain one pupil?'

Despite parents complaining to the council since 2006, meetings never progressed into action.

Government agencies, council officers and police had regular contact with the school. Ofsted repeatedly rated it as 'satisfactory'.

It was only the fact that Mrs Scott had noticed, by chance, the 'concerning' practices on a routine visit in September, that brought the issues to light.

She admitted: "Gatehouse School was ineffectively monitored by the local

authority. We put our hands up to that."

Cllr Sandra Clark, cabinet member for children's services, said there is no question that what took place constituted abuse.

When she heard about parental dissatisfaction there she repeatedly asked for investigations into the schools, but was reassured by staff and Government bodies.

"I need to offer the council's sincerest apologies to children and families we've obviously let down," she said.

Since the problems were exposed, Suzanne Bell, her deputy Penny Rumble and a third member of staff have left.

"It was very difficult for officers to get into the school," said Kate Page, chief executive of Milton Keynes Council, who

commissioned the report.

Mrs Scott described how she discovered what was going on in the school the council describes on its website as having a 'caring, positive, safe and stimulating environment'.

"I was on a visit to the school in September when I noticed some practices that concerned me. Children were being taught in classrooms with locked doors and the fire escapes were also locked."

The reason she was given was that it was for their own safety. "The headteacher on her appointment introduced it as a method," she said.

"We then discovered there was inappropriate use of restraint which tended to be

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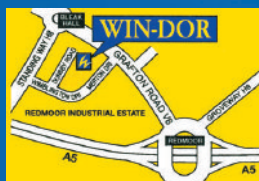
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Cllr Sandra Clark, chief executive Kate Page and director of children and young people's services Sharon Scott at the Gatehouse School inquiry press conference

Pupils abused

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used as a first resort. Teachers were manhandling children in an inappropriate way. There are allegations of bruising in some instances.

"Some appear to have been inappropriately restrained on more than one occasion."

She demonstrated the acceptable level of physical contact on chief executive Kate Page – a hand on the shoulder.

She added: "It was common practice throughout the school. The children accepted it as practice."

Mrs Scott said there was also a culture of bullying in the school.

This made it difficult for staff members to come forward, and the council has now recommended that whistle blowing procedures should be reviewed.

There was a 'strained' relationship between the council and headteacher.

"It was very difficult to get into the school and once in school it was quite difficult to get out of the headteacher's office," she said.

The summary of the report says the community special school, which operates under the watch of the council, was 'left to its own devices'.

Ms Scott added: "Yes alarm bells were being rung. It's very difficult when you've got a head who would say 'I hear what you're saying' but not do anything about it."



Former head-teacher Suzanne Bell – she was suspended in October last year

Kate Page said: "In hindsight I think we should have been far more challenging both of the school and the governing body and with officers of this authority."

But even external bodies were oblivious to the practices.

Cllr Sandra Clark told Monday's meeting that an Ofsted report in March 2006, a Commission for Social Care Inspection (CSCI) report in June 2006, and another Ofsted report in June 2007 rated the school as 'satisfactory'.

Cllr Clark told the meeting: "Over the past few years I've raised concerns in relation to Gatehouse due to parental dissatisfaction, a high level of exclusions and a number of behavioural issues relating to the boys."

"I asked for a review in June 2007. Despite my robust insistence that didn't take place till December 2007. This has hap-

pened on my watch. I'm extremely disappointed in some of the officers."

Leader of the Conservatives, Cllr Andrew Geary, said: "I can't disagree with anything that's been said. Clearly this is extremely concerning."

Leader of the Labour Party, Cllr Norman Miles, added that this exposes the fact that Ofsted failed to point out fundamental failings of schools.

Leader of the council, Cllr Isobel McCall, said that the Lib Dem administration is shocked and saddened by the report, but has full confidence in Cllr Clark.

"All councillors, council officers and school governors should be working together to make sure that there are no schools within Milton Keynes where this could happen again," she said.

City MP Mark Lancaster said: "I am deeply disturbed at the contents of this report which is simply appalling. I will be doing all I can to check that systems are now in place to ensure that these events can be never repeated."

One parent, who removed her son, now 17, from Gatehouse in 2007 said: "His education was completely screwed up. One time he said a teacher had his hands round his neck. He also said he'd been pinned up against a wall. I witnessed it myself – staff would pull kids down with their arms behind their backs."

Father of pupil who killed himself claimed his son had been bullied

AT Monday's meeting officers mentioned the death of a Gatehouse pupil.

Anthony Cole, from Conniburrow was found hanged with his army cadet shirt tied to the back of his bedroom door in March 2008.

His death is currently the subject of a serious case review.

Officers were keen to stress that he did not die at the school.

MK NEWS reported from the inquest in July, 2008, that Anthony's father, Colin Cole, said his son was bullied at the school, but his headteacher Mrs Bell said there was no record of this.

The coroner said he was not satisfied the ADHD sufferer wanted to take his own life, saying his death might have been 'an impulsive gesture'.

During the inquest Mr Cole chal-

lenged the headteacher, saying: "On a couple of occasions you're saying the school's so perfect. But it's not a perfect school is it?"

But Mrs Bell said: "There's no evidence he was bullied by boys."

He said his son would come home with bruises on his arm and told his mother he had been thumped.

Mrs Bell said: "There's no record of him being thumped."

His psychologist said that Anthony had reported being 'tormented' by other children: "He said he didn't like his school, he was not happy there."

Mrs Bell even told Coroner Rodney Corner that when she visited the Coles' home she feared for Anthony's welfare there. She said: "I was concerned when I heard Anthony was told to stand in the naughty corner."



Gatehouse pupil Anthony Cole

'Miracle' baby is just like his mum

BY ROB GIBSON

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A 'MIRACLE' baby has won his battle for survival at the same neonatal unit that saved his own mother nearly 25 years ago.

Tiny newborn Haydon Capener was finally released home yesterday from Milton Keynes Hospital after he was born four weeks early, on February 17, weighing just 3lb 14oz.

But Haydon could not have been in better hands because his own mother was saved by the same service when she became the smallest baby born in the hospital, in 1984.

Gemma Capener was born 11 weeks early and weighed a staggering 1lb 6oz but three months later she weighed a healthy 4lbs.

Speaking at the unit yesterday, Gemma, 24, from Bletchley, said: "If it wasn't for the care here I wouldn't be here today."

"It's excellent, I can't fault it."

"The team saved my life and now they're making sure that my boy gets the best start to life possible."

"I'm in the unit all day, every day, helping to look after Haydon."

"I know he's in the best place."

The hospital cares for around 360 neonatal babies each year and is trying to raise £250,000 through The Little Lives Appeal, to refurbish and redesign the unit.

It has 18 cots but the hospital will spend over £500,000 to provide four more high dependency cots and funding for extra doctors and nurses.

Neonatal Unit Manager, Glenda Deacon said: "Over the past 25



Nurse Sue Chapman-Froome with dad Kev Valentine, Gemma Capener and baby Haydon

years, the hospital has been able to help thousands of premature or ill babies.

"When Gemma was born in 1984 there were around 1,000 babies born in the hospital over a year. "Now, in our silver anniversary year, around 4,000 babies are expected to arrive, all with support from the maternity and neonatal teams at Milton Keynes Hospital."

"There's an increasing demand

for our services and we need to increase our facilities to ensure that fragile little lives are saved."

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Jailed for gunpowder swap

A 31-YEAR-OLD man has been jailed after he was spotted with a tube of home made explosives in the middle of the street.

David Lamont Crosby, of Wainers Croft, Greenleys, was arrested in July last year after police saw two men allegedly exchanging illegal drugs for a tube of home made explosives in Wolverton.

On Thursday he was sentenced to two years in prison after a jury found him guilty of possessing explosives in suspicious circumstances.

Judge Patrick Moloney QC said: "Any trafficking of explosives in the modern world is a very serious matter."

At trial the jury watched CCTV footage taken from The Square in Wolverton on July 15.

It showed Crosby standing by a car, passing over a tube of explosive black powder.

Police moved in to arrest him



David Lamont Crosby: Claimed he could make more money from explosives than selling drugs

and he was charged under the Explosive Substances Act.

Russell Gumpert, prosecuting, said that Crosby told his friends that the powder was home made.

One witness said Crosby had told him that he could make more money selling gunpowder than selling drugs.

During interview by police Crosby said that he stumbled upon the tube under a bush near Wolverton Health Centre, as he

drunkenly walked to a friend's house.

He claimed he did not know what was in the tube, just that it was black powder.

Isobel Ascherson, defending Crosby, described her client as 'tremendously naive'.

"The evidence shows a man who acts impulsively for quick gain," she said.

Sentencing Crosby, Judge Moloney QC said: "Your conduct falls at the lower end of the spectrum to terrorists."

"You knew this was material that could cause a loud bang and you knew when you sold it that he was going to use it for some sort of unlawful purpose."

He sentenced Crosby, who has already served 220 days in custody, to two years but added that he would only have to serve half of that sentence.

"I don't find that this man is a dangerous offender," he said.

MK Council waits for its new star rating

THE annual star rating of Milton Keynes Council is due to be released tomorrow.

The Audit Commission's Comprehensive Performance Assessment (CPA) on the local authority is expected to drop from last year due to Ofsted's 'inadequate' rating of children's

services, announced in December.

Milton Keynes Council was given a three star rating in the overall performance assessment last year, four stars being the highest.

The CPA pulls together the results of a range of different

assessments carried out by the Audit Commission and other inspectorates, including Ofsted and the Commission for Social Care Inspection, to provide a picture of how well an individual council is performing.

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Time to pay attention and belt up!

SIR – Re the police stopping drivers for not wearing seatbelts.
I have to say that I have nothing but full support for the police.
Yes, I agree the police could be out dealing with more serious crimes BUT it has been law for a number of years now to wear a seatbelt in the front and back of the car.
It has also been law to not drive whilst using a mobile phone.
Why then are people still doing it? If people paid attention to the law the police wouldn't have to do these spot checks and they would then have the time to deal with the more serious crimes.
Why are the police giving people the option of paying a fine or taking the course? Why not make people do both?
Surely if they learn the hard way they won't break the law again. It's working with drink driving so why not apply the same to wearing seatbelts and using mobile phones?
The police get more money, therefore tax payers' money should be reduced, less people would break the law, the police therefore have the manpower to be elsewhere, and surely everybody wins?
Name and address supplied

Conservative care

SIR – I recently attended the council meeting which discussed the budget for Milton Keynes and I have to say I was absolutely appalled by what I saw.
One by one Conservative councillors, lead by Cllr Geary, got up and spoke in favour of savage cuts to all secondary schools across Milton Keynes, specifically Ousedale, Newport Pagnell.
The Conservatives clearly do not understand or comprehend Ousedale is a school in need of some restoration yet has still managed to achieve excellent results over the past decade against its rival schools.
I know this because I was a student there.
After listening to the debate it is quite clear the Conservatives do not care about our older towns especially Newport Pagnell indeed one of them said as much.
I look forward to seeing the Conservatives when they next ask for my vote and ask them to explain why they believe sacrificing our children's futures is in the best interests for Milton Keynes.
I hope other members of the public will remember this when voting for the 'courageous Conservatives' (as they put it) who are courageous enough in cutting money for young people's future in Newport. x
Andrew Maric
Greenwich Gardens, Newport Pagnell

Rail infrastructure is at its best but services at worst

SIR – As I approach the end of my 21st year of commuting to London I have started to become very disillusioned.
Whilst the infrastructure and line improvements over recent years have been significant, the weekday timetable run by London Midland has descended into farce
In recent years I would always get a seat when returning home on the 18:49 from Euston. Now that LMS have changed the rolling stock and increased the number of stops it is difficult to get a seat at all, something I have managed just THREE times since Christmas.
This evening I am standing with 30 others in a rear carriage – the price to be paid for daring to travel an hour earlier than normal.
In the morning things are now thoroughly inconvenient. Before the December timetable change I could get the punctual and well used 06:14 service to London. This was removed for no appar-

ent reason, and I now have the choice of the too early 06:02, the new 06:20 which stops at many more places and adds on 20 minutes, or take pot luck for a seat on the often late Virgin service. Not much of an alternative really.
As a veteran commuter I know when I am being taken for granted.
At this point in time the infrastructure is supposedly at its best ever, but the delivered service is at its worst.
LMS seem oblivious, make no acknowledgement of the chaos that they are causing to the travelling public, so I assume will make no plans to remedy the currently issues. On top of this my annual season ticket price will rise sharply this year.
I have never felt the need to complain publicly before now, but urge London Midland to sort out this unnecessary mess.
Tom Punshon
Protheroe Field, Old Farm Park
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Percentage gain

SIR – I was interested to see your request for views on the train services through Milton Keynes;
Where to start?
The introduction of the new 'high density' timetable on last December seems to have been something of a watershed as an already marginal service has deteriorated steadily since then.
In the two weeks after introduction most of the trains that I used were late, often by more than the total journey time.
There was a brief respite after New Year but then, with the coming of the snow, 'staffing problems' led to a further reduced service and since then there seems to have been a succession of delays, failures and cancellations that have seen London Midland's performance rating fall by over 10 per cent in the space of a month or so to about 71 per cent.
While this may seem to be reasonable, it fails to address the fact that most of the trains that did arrive on time were probably the middle of the day trains that are largely empty.
The 29 per cent of trains that suffer delays are mainly commuter trains so that those commuting at peak times probably experience delays 3-4 days a week.
Given the huge difference in passenger numbers on peak-time

trains versus off-peak trains the number of passengers (rather than trains) that actually arrive on time is probably closer to 30 per cent!
While I have some sympathy for London Midland over failures in the rail network and bad weather I also note that many delays have been caused by malfunctioning doors, unavailability of staff, short platforms and a raft of other failures (such as mistimed in-train arrival announcements that tell passengers they will be shortly arriving in Milton Keynes when in fact they are still pulling out of Watford Junction) would seem to be entirely within the control of London Midland.
A couple of anecdotes may illustrate this further – on one train stopping at Bletchley the back of the train extended beyond the platform so the crew refused to open any doors and made all passengers then travel to Leighton Buzzard.
While this may have complied with the dreaded health and safety legislation, it simply wasn't common sense (the guard could have simply asked passengers not to use the doors in question) and hugely inconvenienced those passengers affected.
On Monday this week returning from London we reached Leighton Buzzard only to be told the train was being taken out of service because 'one set of doors' (doors seems to be a recurring problem)

couldn't be opened.
Why cancel the entire train? Can't people just be allowed to use the other doors as there are two sets in each carriage?
The result was that some 500-600 people were dumped on Leighton Buzzard platform three only to see another train bound for Milton Keynes stop at platform one.
The crush as 500-plus people (many with folding bikes and several with push chairs) tried to rush up the 10ft wide stairs for platform one as 100-plus got off the train and tried to use the same stairs to leave the station was horrendous and exceedingly dangerous.
Needless to say the train pulled away half-full before many people could reach it.
We sat and watched several half-full London Midland trains go past before (some 45 minutes after we first arrived) the TV screens showed another train arriving on platform three and so there was another huge, dangerous stampede up the narrow old staircase to reach that train before it too pulled out leaving hundreds of people stranded.
Throughout this entire farce there was not a single station announcement and nor was there any attempt by London Midland staff to marshal the huge and dangerous crush of people as they chased between platforms in search of a train home.
I find this episode especially illustrative of the general contempt for their customers that has characterised London Midland operations of late.
To be honest I'm looking forward to them going the same way as the much unloved Silverlink County group and losing their franchise.
Richard Hughes
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Twinners winners

SIR – It is fantastic to see city MP Mark Lancaster calling on local schools to twin with counterparts in the developing world (February 25, 2009).
Mr Lancaster talked of the 'joy on faces' of children in a Ugandan school who had received a letter from the UK.
At World Vision, Milton Keynes' local international development charity, we have seen how child sponsorship enables this kind of connection between sponsors here in the UK and children in some of the poorest parts of the world and the joy that this connection brings to be both parties, which we encourage our supporters to write to the children they sponsor.
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Kate Nicholas
Associate director, World Vision UK

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Heart condition killed footballer

BY LAURA HANNAM

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A TEENAGER who collapsed and died during a football match suffered from a rare condition that causes sudden heart failure, an inquest has heard.

Samuel Bradley, 16, who lived with his parents in Huntingdon Crescent, Bletchley collapsed while playing defence for Winslow United at Browns Wood football pitch on Sunday, November 16.

The under-16s team were playing against Southside United in the Milton Keynes and Border Counties Youth League.

Samuel, who was studying for his GCSEs at the Royal Latin School in Buckingham, called out for his asthma inhaler around twenty minutes before the end of the game and fell to the ground unconscious moments later.

A doctor who was watching his child in the match and the referee rushed to give him first aid and tried to resuscitate him.

An ambulance took the teenager to Milton Keynes Hospital at around 3pm but he was confirmed dead shortly after.

Samuel's father, Peter, the assistant manager and coach for the team who was watching the game from the sidelines, broke down in tears during the inquest as he thanked those that tried to save his son.

Simon Walker, manager of the football club, said: "Around ten minutes before he collapsed he did stop in the middle of the pitch leaning over. He said 'I'm alright I just had a bit of a burp'."

"Then I was aware from the touchline that Sam had gone down."

"He had played for our team for about twelve months," added Mr Walker.

"He was one of our better players, he will be missed in more ways than one."

Dr Attila Kardos, consultant cardiologist at Milton Keynes Hospital, said Samuel was tested



A close relative of Samuel Bradley, pictured, suffers from a rare heart condition called Brugada, that causes sudden heart failure – it is likely that it caused Samuel's death

for heart defects in March 2007 after complaining of sharp pain in his chest during exercise, but nothing was found.

A postmortem discovered no physical evidence of heart problems but tests carried out on the teenager's relations have revealed that a close family member suffers from a rare heart condition, called Brugada, that causes sudden heart failure.

Professor of pathology, Dr Sebastian Lucas, said the syndrome is passed down in families and it is likely that it caused Samuel's death.

Dr Kardos said the teenager must have been among the 15 per cent of sufferers who show no signs of the condition in medical tests.

The rest of his extended family

will now be screened for the disease.

Samuel's mother, Carol, said: "He was just a wonderful kid, he had a heart of gold."

"He wanted the best for his mates and everyone around him."

"He played football since he was really tiny."

"His other love was marine life; he swam with dolphins and he wanted to study oceanography and work with them."

"I want to thank the charity CRY - Cardiac Risk in the Young - for their help, as they arranged all of the tests."

"Four to five hundred people aged between 15 and 25, usually young men, die of 'sudden adult death' a year in the UK but people don't know about it."

Verdict: died of natural causes.

Bus fares concession sees council tax rise 3.6 per cent

COUNCIL tax is to rise by 3.6 per cent.

That means the average household in Milton Keynes will pay an extra 73p per week to the council.

Alongside fire, police and parish precepts, the average local levy is now £1,359.76 per year.

During the annual budget meeting on Thursday, the Lib Dem administration proposed a council tax increase of 3.9 per cent, the Tories 1.9 and Labour 3.4.

Eventually the stalemate was broken when the Labour Party agreed to abstain on a Lib Dem climbdown to 3.6 per cent, in exchange for granting their desire for concessionary bus fares being to be made valid daily and 24 hours.

Even though the cabinet will lose out on £250,000 by conceding to

0.3 per cent less of an increase, Cllr Sam Crooks, cabinet member for finance, says the money will come from reserves.

They believe their original proposal, which leader Cllr Isobel McCall described as 'a good budget for Milton Keynes at this difficult time', remains intact.

It was initially amended by the Conservatives, who said they could promise the same level of service, but increase tax by just half the amount.

They wanted to give £1,000 to each ward, spend £100,000 more on community safety and a further £100,000 on political assistants called 'transformation advisers'. They proposed to reduce the Lib Dem budget by scrapping the £100,000 transport study.

The council's overall budget is

nearly £350 million, £80 million of which has to be raised through council tax.

Every one per cent increase in council tax equates to £873,000.

Cllr Crooks, cabinet member for finance who drew up the budget for the Lib Dems, was pleased adding: "Our council tax is £68 lower than the national average for unitary authorities," he added.

Labour Cllr Norman Miles said: "We're very happy that the Lib Dems accepted our amendment on concessionary bus fares. The end result was near to what our aspirations were. It very nearly reflected our wishes."

Conservative Cllr Andrew Geary said "The budget did not reflect our aspirations."

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Tory budget plan Pi in the sky

GIVEN that the debate was dedicated to numbers, it was appropriate that the council's annual budget meeting was as interminable as the digits of Pi.

As figures were bandied around the chamber, and pound signs became indistinguishable from percentage points, the council clock moved through its repertoire of digits - 21.08... 22.30... 23.05...

Each party proposed a different budget, but none would budge.

The Lib Dems said council tax should rise by 3.9 per cent, while the Conservatives suggested 1.9 and Labour 3.4.

Leader of the cabinet, Cllr Isobel McCall, began by outlining what the additional money would be spent on, including the council's five priorities: schools, public transport, activities for young people, fixing roads, and regeneration.

Half a per cent of the increase would be dedicated to public transport, and measures would include a £200,000 campaign to coax maths teachers into Milton Keynes.

The evening promised a showdown between the Lib Dems and the Tories, punctuated by accusations of squandering grants and plundering reserves.

Cllr Sam Crooks, of cabinet member for finance fame, was in the yellow corner.

He asked how his opposite number, Cllr Tunney, could ensure lower council tax with no decrease in services.

He said: "I'm second to none in my admiration of David Tunney. What's confused me about this amendment is



Loadsamoney: Reg Edwards



Critical mass: David Tunney



Famous five: Isobel McCall

that you can spend £450,000 on a number of schemes that I rather like and it's all for the same amount of services, nothing will change. So where's it all coming from? Well David will increase our deficit of £7 million £10 million."

Meanwhile Cllr Tunney was second to none in his admiration of the councillors. He said: "We 51 are at a critical moment in the developing story of Milton Keynes. We 51 men and women have committed ourselves to lead this town."

While they compared the size of their deficits, backbenchers could have heckled Cllr Crooks for stealing taxpayers' money, or dubbed his rival 'tonne-of-money Tunney' with an ability to magically supply more services with less funding.

Instead Tory Cllr Andy Dransfield stood up (to cries of 'wahey' and 'it's ski Sunday', referring to his recent hol-

iday) and said: "Sam, as great as you are, you have failed to sort out the backlog of deficit there has been for the last few years," before mentioning the job losses happening across the city.

He showed that, skiing jibes aside, councillors' concerns centre on the recession - something the parties were responding to in different ways. While the Lib Dems wanted to step-up services to help the fallen, the Tories wanted to leave them more money in their pockets.

Labour then piped up, proposing a 3.4 per cent rise in tax.

Cllr Reg Edwards bellowed: "What the hell are we putting 0.5 per cent on the council tax for? There's lots of money there for transport. If we want a better transport system in Milton Keynes we don't have to make council tax rise by 3.9 per cent."

Time ticked on and still there was no

agreement. Cllr Andrew Geary, leader of the Tories, even tried to lighten the mood with some alliteration, dubbing his budget an example of 'courageous can-do Conservatism'. Though this worked for 'credit crunch' and 'climate change', it didn't catch on and was not mentioned again.

Opposition members kept coming back to the threat of a deficit, a '£20m black hole', though the Lib Dems dismissed the severity of this, adamant they were making a black hole out of a pothole.

After all, the council's annual budget is a whopping £349.8 million, roughly the size of a disgraced banker's pension.

In reality, much of the decision making took place behind automatically-opening doors, as the parties scurried off into their respective huddles.

By 00.00 the 50 councillors had decided the magic number was 3.6 per cent.

This was finally achieved after the Lib Dems climbed down from 3.9, the Tories voted against it and Labour agreed to abstain.

So while it promised to be a showdown between the two main parties, the final increase was closest to the Labour proposal - the party with the fewest elected members in the council.

You wouldn't need to spend £200,000 luring a maths teacher to calculate which party should be most pleased with the outcome.

JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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Pair attacked by gang

A 23-YEAR-OLD man is fighting for his life after a gang attacked him in Fishermead on Sunday.

He and his friend, 26, were walking along Pencarrow Place, near to its junction with Gurnards Avenue.

A group of men set on them leaving both with serious injuries.

F1 ace goes karting

RED Bull Racing driver Mark Webber has been secretly taking a spin on the local go-karting track to prepare for the new Formula One season.

The Australian driver, spent time at Daytona in Milton Keynes as part of his rehabilitation to return from a broken leg.

Webber, 32, fractured his leg during a charity bicycle race in Tasmania last year and faced a race against time to make it back for the 2009 season.

With limited practice sessions in F1 Webber asked bosses at Daytona if he could squeeze in a few laps in their new DMaz 2-stroke Birel karts.

General manager, Lee Jackson, said: "He really gave the karts a shake down and proved to himself that his leg has healed superbly. A win for all."

Minister visits

DAVID Lammy, MP, is the latest Government minister to visit the University Centre Milton Keynes.

The Minister for Higher Education in the Department for Innovation, Universities and Skills spent time chatting to local students and touring facilities at 200 Silbury Boulevard.

It follows the visit of Secretary of State Hazel Blears six weeks ago.

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Transsexual to talk at Equality Council's Hate Crime Conference

I turned around to my wife on a Friday and I said I was going out with a friend who had asked me to dress as a woman. When I came back I just stayed like that

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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A HERMAPHRODITE from Oldbrook who has been repeatedly abused has decided to educate the city about 'transphobia'.

Alle Segretti, 35, who was brought up as a man and fathered four children, has been the victim of verbal attacks since moving to Milton Keynes six months ago.

But instead of hiding away she has decided to tell people about living as a woman since 2006, hoping to change people's attitudes towards transgender people.

Last week the unemployed film maker was walking her children, aged between three and ten, when three men deliberately pulled up in a van and shouted names at her.

"When this van pulled up it was completely wrong. My children were getting very upset. It was completely unnecessary. That's what a hate crime is - where people go out of their way to do something intimidating."

Miss Segretti, who has been married to her wife for 15 years, believes the only way of confronting these attitudes is by being open, and talking about how she is different.

"There are a lot of transsexual people in Milton Keynes who I know will never step outside their front door. There's no shortage of people around who don't know who to turn to."

Miss Segretti is a transsexual in the 'transition' phase, meaning she has not yet had a sexual change and, as a hermaphrodite, has both male and female genitals.

"What started the transition was I turned around to my wife on a Friday and I said I was going out with a friend who had asked me to dress as a woman. When I came back I just stayed like that. It felt right. I no longer had to walk like a man. I always felt like I had to pretend to be masculine."

Instead of complaining when Milton Keynes College students called her names, she asked if she could go there and do talks.

Now she is preparing a talk on



transphobia for the Equality Council's first Hate Crime Conference in Milton Keynes, to be held on March 11.

For more information on the conference you can contact Milton Keynes Equality Council on 01908 606828.

'There are a lot of transsexual people in Milton Keynes who I know will never step outside their front door': Alle Segretti

Teenage pregnancies fall – but not enough

TEENAGE pregnancies in Milton Keynes fell in 2007, but must drop further to meet Government targets.

Figures released by the Office of National Statistics (ONS) last week have revealed that the rate of teenagers aged 15 to 17 falling pregnant in the city in 2007 fell to 39.1 girls in every 1,000.

This is a drop of 23.6 per cent since 1998,

beating the national average of a 10.7 per cent fall.

The reduction needs to be doubled by next year to meet the Government's target of a 50 per cent drop in teenage pregnancy rate in 2010, compared to the rates in 1998.

The rate in that year in Milton Keynes was 51.2 girls aged 15 to 17 in every 1,000 getting pregnant.

City library in top three for lending

THE city centre library has been rated third in the UK for the number of books issued last year.

The library issued more than 700,000 books according to the latest library survey for 2007/08.

The figures have been released by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy for the Museums and Libraries Archive Council.

Deborah Cooper, learning and skills manager responsible for library services at Milton Keynes Council, said: "The library has been in the top five for several years and we are delighted to remain there."

"We hope it will be even better next year as we have managed to achieve this despite having some restricted services as the library was refurbished."

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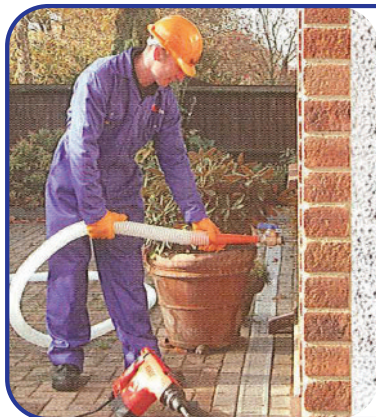
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Firefighters contain the blaze at Tower House, Stony Stratford on Saturday night. Below: The front of the house

40 firefighters tackle listed building blaze

MORE than 40 firefighters worked into the night to prevent a house fire from spreading to a hotel in Stony Stratford.

Four crews were called to the blaze at the three-storey Tower House in High Street, Stony Stratford, just after 8pm on Saturday.

The Grade II listed house, built in 1746, adjoins the Different Drummer hotel, Al Tamborista restaurant and Vine wine bar and restaurant.

Neighbour Chrissie Walsh said: "There was flames and lots of smoke pouring out of the roof. The fire service seemed to be doing a good job."

Half of the roof space and first floor of the building and 30 per cent of the

ground floor was damaged.

Incident commander Tony Bennett said: "The fire went undetected for some time. As a result, the first crews were faced with a serious, well-developed fire. They saved the front of the building and prevented the fire spreading to adjacent properties."

The blaze was out at 1.45am, but firefighters stayed at the scene for another 12 hours damping down.

Part of the High Street remained shut on Sunday morning.

An investigation has started into the cause of the fire.

Police are appealing for witnesses to call 08458 505505 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555111.



Death of a city founding father

BY ROB GIBSON

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ONE of the oldest remaining councillors who helped to orchestrate the birth of Milton Keynes has died at the age of 90.

The close family of Frank Evans paid their final respects at his funeral service on Wednesday, but Frank touched the lives of many more people in Milton Keynes.

The former councillor was part of the delegation which visited the Home Office to discuss North Bucks development.

Born in Chester in 1918, Frank moved to Bletchley in 1941, before volunteering for the RAF.

Shortly after completing his pilot training the war ended and Frank saw no action.

He returned to Bletchley where he married Gwen Judge at St Mary's church in 1945 and fathered two sons, Nicolas and Colin.

Frank worked as a clerk for British Rail at Bletchley Railway Station but he was better known for his volunteer work in the community.

In 1952 he began a 15-year spell as a councillor, becoming chairman of Bletchley Council in 1966, and also serving as a magistrate in Fenny Stratford.

Frank became a grandfather to four boys and spent the last five years of his life living with his wife at a resi-



Frank Evans

dential home in Bletchley. He died on February 6, two days before his 91st birthday, after being admitted to hospital with a broken thigh which led to deep vein thrombosis.

His son, Colin Evans said: "He wasn't a wealthy man and everything he had he gave away. He was that sort of guy, he did it for other people."

"He helped to start up Milton Keynes and he was a servant of the community for so many years."

Frank also volunteered at Bletchley and Fenny Stratford Working Men's Club for 45 years, until the age of 82, and now has his own room there, The Frank Evans Lounge.

Paying tribute to her husband on Monday, Mrs Evans said: "He loved the Working Men's Club and he ended up running it really. Hundreds of people knew him here in Bletchley."

Frank also featured in a book about Bletchley's history called 'Bigger, Brighter, Better'.

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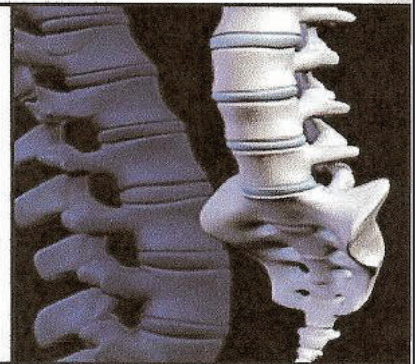
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Paramedics were alerted to a field between the villages of Wootton and Cranfield at 1.31pm after several calls were received to a report of a aircraft crashing.

Ambulance crews from Kempston were dispatched to the scene. Due to the nature of the incident, an air ambulance was also deployed to the scene.

Gary Sanderson, ambulance service spokesman said: "Thankfully, two people on board the aircraft have had a very lucky escape.

"A woman has been taken to the Bedford South Wing hospital with a minor neck injury.

"A man who was also on board, received no injuries."



Emergency services examine the aircraft

Cops get calls on Manning murder

BY ROB GIBSON

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AN appeal by the family of a 19-year-old woman who was murdered eight years ago has sparked a number of calls from people with information.

Last week the family of Rachel Manning made an emotional plea for any information that might help police to catch her killer.

Concerns about the likelihood of new information after such a long period were clear but yesterday police confirmed that a dedicated incident room has been receiving calls.

Detective Superintendent Rob Mason said: "We have had a limited response from the public since the re-appeal for information into the murder of Rachel Manning.

"We are reacting to the calls we



'We are reacting to the calls we have had and the team will fully investigate this information': Detective Superintendent Rob Mason

have had and the team will fully investigate this information and remain committed to catching the person or persons responsible."

Police have offered a £25,000 reward for any information leading to the conviction of her killer.

Rachel's body was discovered on Tuesday, December 12, 2000, in the undergrowth at Woburn Golf Club, two days after she disappeared.

A post mortem revealed that she had been strangled.

Rachel's parents, Paul and Liz, have described the unsolved case as 'an open wound'.

Thames Valley Police re-opened the investigation following the acquittal of Rachel's boyfriend, Barri White, in December 2008.

Detectives say the last definite sighting of Rachel was on Sunday, December 10, as she walked down Witan Gate towards Oldbrook, wearing 60s fancy dress including white high heel boots, a white top and short black skirt.

She had spent the night at New Bradwell Village Hall, before moving onto Chicago nightclub.

At 2.45am she made a call from a phone kiosk on Evans Gate, Oldbrook.

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Since 2006 the Salden Chase Consortium - the promoters of the site - have undertaken a series of meetings and workshops with stakeholders (Council Officers, Parish Councils, and land owners) to progress proposals for the site. This is an opportunity for you to view and comment on the current proposals before any planning application is submitted.

Please come along to find out about the Salden Chase development proposal on:

Date & Time	Wednesday 6th of May 2009: 4pm – 8pm Thursday 7th of May 2009: 3pm – 7pm <i>These replace the previously advertised dates of the 25th and 26th of March</i>
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Rail fares in this country are higher than anywhere else in Europe, and commuters of Milton Keynes feel they are travelling worst class. Reporter JESSICA CUNNIFFE spoke to a handful of them to find out how delays, overcrowding and price-hikes are causing some to consider using their cars – or leaving Milton Keynes altogether



JOHN BAKER

Age: 32
Job: IT worker for Barclays Bank
Lives: Woughton
Commutes: Canary Wharf
How long: Five years
Season ticket cost: £460 a month

"THERE are several Virgin trains in the morning, but we are not allowed to use them and the announcer says: 'The train stopping on platform 4 is not for public use, please do not board this train'. But it clearly is for public use, as it's full of the public."

"It makes your blood boil. The main problem is overcrowding on London Midland services. Yet we have Virgin services in the morning that will stop at MK but not pick anyone up, and ones that will leave Euston in the evening, not advertised as stopping in MK on the departures board, yet they stop there to pick people up."

"This service is dire, and not what I expect for the price of my travel card. MK now has one of the most abysmal commuting services I have experienced. It has got worse and worse and worse. One wonders if it has a future as a commuter town."



LAKSHMI SINGH

Age: 32
Job: Quality Assurance Analyst
Lives: Shenley
Commutes: Hammersmith
How long: Four months
Season ticket cost: £452 a month

"I FIND commuting from Milton Keynes hopeless. I have made many complaints already."

"But Virgin tell me to write to London Midland and vice versa, they just point fingers at each other."

"I always thought British services would be of a good standard, and they have been in other towns I have lived in here."

"But in Milton Keynes it has a very bad standard. And with tickets and parking being at an extraordinarily high cost it is the working class this affects."

"All the second class people are pushed into carriages with very few seats, while first class is most of the time empty. Even the departures board has been broken for months. You would think with the amount of money they charge people they would be able to fix it."



ALEX PIM

Age: 29
Job: Senior Design Engineer
Lives: Loughton
Commute to: Kings Langley
How long: Seven years
Season ticket cost: £256.60

"YEARS ago my journey used to consist of one train each way that took 40 minutes."

"Now I have to get three trains, changing at Bletchley and Berkhamstead."

"It seems like London Midland has totally disregarded the needs of hundreds of passengers who work near local stations between Milton Keynes and London."

"After a recent spate of delays and cancellations, my wife even suggested that we discuss moving somewhere else now because things are continuing to get worse and worse with no sign of improvement, which is really sad because we love Milton Keynes and certainly don't want to move."

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Job: Creative Services Manager at Universal Pictures
Lives: Oldbrook
Commutes: Oxford Street
How long: Six years
Ticket: £3,848



NICK HAMP

Age: 48
Job: Contractor for the Department for Work and Pensions
Lives: Loughton
Commutes: Charing Cross
How long: On and off for 20 years
Ticket: £2,076 for six months



KERRIE TAYLOR

Age: 32
Lives: Monkston
Commutes: West Brompton
How long: Six months
Ticket cost: £405.60 a month

"SINCE the new timetable was introduced on December 14 the service has definitely got worse, particularly with delays.

"Maybe the frequency of the trains is better, but most people want shortened journey times.

"The new timetable hasn't benefited us at all. The price of the season ticket has gone up by £260 - that's £20 a month more for a service that's worse. The trains themselves are pleasant - if you can get a seat. Milton Keynes is one of the major stops on the line, but no one seems to appreciate that."

"THE thing that I find so galling as a contractor I get paid per day. If I miss a day because wires have come down it's not just a question of being inconvenienced - I lose out on money.

"It's so many different things. On Thursday we were stuck for 15 minutes in Leighton Buzzard because they couldn't close the doors. On Wednesday we were late out of Milton Keynes because a branch had come down. People are starting to drive down to London and I am considering doing the same."

"IT'S been bad for a long time but since the new timetable was introduced the services have been abysmal.

"I think some of the problems with services is that when it's good it's good and when it's bad it's really bad.

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Travellers between North-

ampton and London Euston have been specifically chosen because they have been most disrupted.

Steve Banaghan, London Midland's managing director, said: "This offer is a 'thank you' to our regular passengers. On a number of occasions since the start of the new timetable, we recognise that we have fallen short of the stan-

dards of service we should have provided. We would like to apologise for this. We are working hard to improve our services and have made a number of changes since the start of the new timetable.

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Overload prompts CAB advisers plea

BY JESSICA CUNIFFE
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A CITY advice service is asking for residents to help them help others through the recession.

Milton Keynes Citizens Advice Bureau (MK CAB) is calling for more volunteers, after seeing a surge in queries of 23 per cent this year.

The Midsummer Boulevard-based service currently has 40 volunteers and 30 members of staff.

But having faced unprecedented demand on its services, which include providing advice on debt, employment, immigration and welfare, it is asking for more people to sign up.

In particular, queries about redundancy were up 166 per cent on last year, which bosses believe will only get worse.

Debt adviser Gillian Grimes said: "We are keen to speak to as many

We are keen to speak to as many people who are interested in the advice role. Generalist advisers are trained to give advice in many areas

– CAB debt adviser Gillian Grimes



people who are interested in the advice role.

"Generalist advisers are trained to give advice in many areas, including consumer, debt, employment, family and personal issues, immigration and welfare benefits.

"People volunteer at Milton Keynes CAB for a variety of reasons: to make a difference to people's lives, help their local community, to try something new, use their experience in a productive

way, develop new talents and skills, to challenge themselves, increase their confidence, inspire others to help people, to work as a part of a team and to get out of the house."

They are inviting people to attend an open morning at the bureau on April 22 at 10-11.30am to chat informally about volunteering. If people cannot attend they can contact the bureau via ritika.chaudhri@mkcab.org.uk or 01908 609072.

Man in black robs teenage boy at knifepoint

A 17-YEAR-OLD boy was robbed at knifepoint as he walked through a city underpass.

The robber demanded money but when he refused the offender grabbed him around the neck, pushed him against the wall and

showed him a knife. The teenager handed over his money.

The incident occurred at 1.30pm on Thursday, February 19, under the V4 Watling Street between Loughton and Shenley Church End. The offender is white, 5ft

10ins, average build and was wearing a black hooded top, black jeans, black trainers and black gloves.

Anyone with information can contact DC Mark Smyth on 08458 505505 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

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Sam Whittaker director of trucks marketing at Mercedes Benz with Mark Sturgeon contract manager and Tim Guile general manager at Serco join Cllr Chris Williams at the handover of new refuse collection vehicles

Council's 2020 vision

New waste truck fleet launched in advance of weekly combined food and garden waste collections

A FLEET of new refuse trucks and cleaners have hit the streets.

Mercedes-Benz handed over the first of a fleet refuse trucks and street cleaners on Friday.

The trucks are part of 60 new vehicles,

branded in Milton Keynes Council's green and white livery, by the city's new waste contractor Serco.

The company took over the £75million contract from Cory Environmental Ltd on Monday.

Cllr Chris Williams, council cabinet member for the environment was presented a model of the new vehicles by Serco's Tom Guile and Mark Sturgeon during the handover.

The introduction of new contractors will have no visible affect on residents as collection days will remain the same.

But one immediate change is that Serco has agreed not to pile up black and pink sacks ahead of collections as this causes litter, attracts vermin and obstructs the pavements.

In July Milton Keynes Council and Serco will begin to introduce free weekly combined food and garden waste collections across the city.

The council hopes the scheme, which has been trialled successfully in Bradwell Common for three years, will help reach its target of recycling 50 per cent of all waste by 2020.

Cllr Williams said: "We would like to thank Cory Environmental for all their hard work providing waste and cleansing services for almost a decade, and as we enter a new era, we welcome the many innovations Serco will be introducing to these high profile council services."

To find out more visit www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/envservices or call 01908 252570.

Call for city examination centre as 3,000 travel for benefits medicals

MORE than three thousand people applying for incapacity benefit had to travel outside Milton Keynes for a medical examination last year.

Local MP Dr Phyllis Starkey has called for the Government to open a medical examination centre in the city as many of these people have no car and find it difficult to use public transport.

The nearest centres are in Aylesbury, Luton or Marleybone in London.

Figures gained by Dr Starkey from the Department for Work and Pensions reveal that all 3,302 people with Milton Keynes postcodes that applied in 2008 for employment and support allowance,

which replaced incapacity benefits in October, had to travel outside the city.

Of those 1,685 went to Aylesbury, 1,615 to Luton and two to London. Their transport is paid for by the Government.

Dr Starkey said: "The nearest medical examination centre is in Aylesbury, which I suspect is a historical hang over from when Aylesbury used to be the centre of Buckinghamshire."

"I have been contacted by a number of individuals who have had trouble."

"Public transport between Milton Keynes and Aylesbury is extremely poor and people have been given suggested journeys with two or three bus changes.

"One person who has approached me has significant mental health problems for whom the whole thing was incredibly stressful and another has Crohn's Disease, which means she could not contemplate the long journey on public transport. It is a significant issue."

The MP has called for a debate in parliament on the subject and is lobbying the Secretary of State for a medical examination centre to be opened in Milton Keynes a few days a week.

■ Have you been affected by this issue? MK NEWS would love to hear your story. e-mail: laura.hannam@mk-news.co.uk

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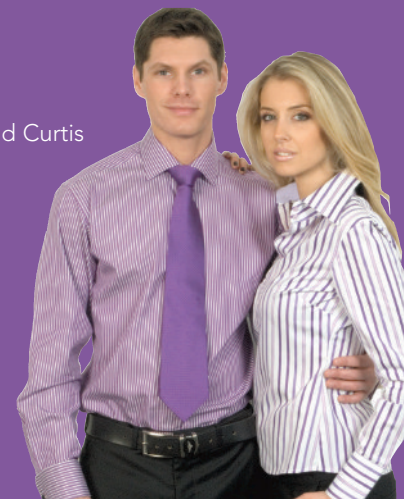
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Centre makes 'best to work for' list

SHOPPING centre, thecentre:mk has been named 66th best small company to work for in the 2009 The Sunday Times Best Small Companies list.

thecentre:mk was also shortlisted for a special award for engaging with schools and colleges through its training provider skillscentre:mk.

The Sunday Times Best Small Companies to work for list is in its sixth year with 565 small companies applying and over 34,000 employees feeding into the survey.

Company employees were asked to respond on categories including Leadership, Wellbeing, Belonging, Giving Back and Personal Growth.

The survey revealed that 88 per cent of employees at thecentre:mk felt that the organisation protects the environment, which was the second highest response for this question in the survey. The

Sunday Times list stated, that thecentre:mk, "makes a real effort to lessen the impact of all that shopping, reducing electricity use by 20 per cent a year, and increasing recycling to more than 50 per cent. The shopping centre last year made our inaugural Green List of Britain's greenest companies, ranked 30th."

Robert Goodman, Centre Director, said: "We are delighted that thecentre:mk has been so successful. thecentre:mk is committed to its staff, its interaction with the local community and improving its environmental performance."

Whilst the placing on the list is commendable, we're not going to rest on our laurels. In being shortlisted for a special award in Engaging with Schools and Colleges the valuable work undertaken by the skillscentre:mk has been highlighted and we now need to compliment this with our other ongoing initiatives."



Centre director Robert Goodman, left, receives The Times 100 award from Richard Casey, managing editor of The Sunday Times

MKNEWSBRIEFS

New retirement village plan
WORK could start as early as next year on a second Milton Keynes retirement village.

It follows the success of the first Willen scheme, Lovat Fields, which opened in 2007.

The second village is to be built at Shenley Wood adjacent to Fulmer Street and Chalkdell Drive. The scheme will comprise 300 self-contained apartments centred around a range of 15 health, social and leisure facilities. It will offer affordable purchase and rented homes for more than 400 local people who are over the age of 55, with up to 24-hour care support for those who require it.

The project is a partnership involving Milton Keynes Council, The ExtraCare Charitable Trust and Milton Keynes Partnership.

Work on the Village is expected to begin by 2010 and it could be open as early as 2012.

Big Ben birthday card rush

CITY schools have rushed to meet the deadline to submit their entries to compete in the national Big Ben competition.

The competition, held as part of the 150th anniversary celebrations of Big Ben, was to design a Christmas card featuring the famous tower which will be used by Parliament this year. Local winners' prize is to visit Parliament to climb the tower.

Last week City MP Mark Lancaster, who invited schools in his constituency to participate, visited Wavendon Gate School to collect competition entries and to see the project work carried out by year six pupils following a recent visit to Parliament.

He said: "The standard of work was amazing and I'm sure that Milton Keynes pupils will feature amongst the winners."

MP backs public Royal Mail

AN MP is supporting the campaign to keep the Royal Mail in public ownership.

Dr Phyllis Starkey met with members of the Milton Keynes branch of the Communication Workers Union, supporting their campaign against the privatisation of the Royal Mail.

The Keep the Post Public campaign calls on the Government to scrap the proposed plans to privatise the Royal Mail.

Dr Starkey said: "It was extremely useful to meet with the local branch of the CWU and to discuss the Keep the Post Public campaign in more detail. The Royal Mail and its workforce provide a vital and universal service across the country: a service that must be protected."

Safety first at hospital

THE first Patient Safety Champions are set to graduate from a new training course run by Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

The Core Clinical Services Division launched the innovative Patient Safety Champion Programme for hospital staff in November 2008.

The Continuing Professional Development (CPD) accredited course is a mixture of formal training and analysis of safety issues.

Three have already passed and two of the trainees achieved the necessary passes to receive a gold badge.

A further nine people are undertaking the course.

Two injured in car crash

TWO people were injured when a van and car collided in Kiline Farm.

Police received reports of a crash at 12.53pm last Wednesday, at the junction of Pitfield and the H3 Monks Way, just past Abbey Hill Golf Club.

Two lanes were blocked and police closed off part of the H3 where it meets the V4 Watling Street, to make way for a recovery vehicle.

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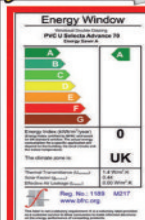
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Drink-driver died in head-on crash

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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A CARE assistant who was nearly two-and-a-half times over the drink-drive limit died in a head-on car crash, an inquest has heard.

Claire Bale, 28, from Glazier Drive, Neath Hill, was pronounced dead at Milton Keynes Hospital on Sunday, October 12 after the crash on the A509 Sherington Bypass.

Coroner Rodney Corner was told on Thursday that Mrs Bale was driving home from a pub crawl in Olney with her sister Suzanne Wills at around 2am.

They had both been drinking vodka and Mrs Bale overtook a lorry. She was seen driving on the wrong side of the road before her blue Ford Escort smashed into a Lexus coming from the

opposite direction.

Mrs Bale was not wearing a seatbelt, and toxicology reports show she had cannabis in her blood. Witnesses said it was a foggy night.

Her sister said they had debated whether Mrs Bale was fit to drive home after leaving The Castle pub.

"We both left and she said she was fine, she didn't feel drunk. Obviously she wasn't fine, but that's what she said."

Ms Wills, who said she was a 'nervous passenger' said she had no control over her sister's decision to drive home.

She added: "I always told her to put her seatbelt on."

The driver of the Morrisons lorry which Mrs Bale overtook shortly before the crash said: "I noticed the vehicle behind me was swerving. It proceeded to overtake me on a blind hill and cut me up,



Although this was tragic accident in which a young lady has lost her life, it starkly highlights the dangers of drink driving – Sgt Keith Lavery

nearly forcing me off the road. I then slowed right down because I presumed there would be an accident."

Sergeant Keith Lavery told MK NEWS: "Although this was tragic accident in which a young lady has lost her life, it starkly highlights the dangers of drink driving, and what happens when you drive while being nearly two-and-a-half times over the limit."

The coroner recorded a verdict of accidental death.

Opportunist thieves target car wheels and contents

TWENTY-FIVE cars have had their wheels stolen in Milton Keynes this year.

The figure, released by police comes after a spate of thefts from cars on Tuesday.

In Filgrave, three vans had items stolen from them including wallets, tools and satellite navigation systems.

In another incident at 11am a woman was getting a pram out of the boot of her vehicle in the car park

of TK Maxx in Bletchley when her purse was stolen from the front of the car.

Police are also urging residents to make sure their vehicles have locking wheel nuts.

Since the start of the year 25 vehicles across the city have had their wheels stolen, with Vauxhalls are particularly being targeted because they do not have locking wheel nuts fitted as standard.

DI Simon Roberts said:

"Nearly every theft from a vehicle can be prevented if people take the proper security precautions.

"These thieves are opportunists and need just a few seconds to strike. It sounds so obvious but it's simply a case of ensuring the vehicle is locked and that valuable items, including tools, are not left on show.

■ Anyone with information about the thefts can contact police on 08458 505505.

150 women want to be the face of Buddha Blue



Entrant Beckie Hawkes

MORE than 150 women from across Milton Keynes have applied to be the new face of city nightclub Buddha Blue.

Since launching its beauty contest a month ago the nightclub says it has received in excess of 150 entries, all vying to represent the nightspot in the Theatre District.

The club is looking for a new beauty from Milton Keynes to replace the 2008 Face of Buddha Blue, Helen Tosney, from Bletchley.

The 2009 winners will receive £100 cash, European flights, a bottle of champagne, professional photo shoot and VIP entry to Buddha Blue for the whole year.

The top twenty entries

will be posted on Buddha Blue's website so that people can vote for their favourite.

The 10 entries with the highest number of votes will feature in the Buddha Blue 2010 calendar and be invited to the club on Saturday, April 11, where management and the crowd will pick a winner.

The deadline for entries is Friday, March 6, after which people will have four weeks to vote for their favourite face by logging on to Buddha Blue's website before the final.

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Tot Tiana performs for Torvil and Dean

BY LAURA HANNAM

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AN EIGHT-YEAR-OLD ice skater has performed a routine for figure skating legends Torvil and Dean.

Tiana Cotterill, who attends the International School of Skating at Planet Ice in Milton Keynes, has been chosen from thousands of entries to be in with a chance of becoming Jayne Torvil and Christopher Dean's 'Ice Star'.

The skating legends are searching the country to find a new skating talent who will perform in the live final of the Dancing on Ice show on ITV and appear in the Dancing on Ice live tour.

Tiana, who has only been skating for two years, is one of 40 skaters that have performed their routine in a one-to-one audition with Torvil and Dean.

They have put her through to the next round and she hopes to continue on her way to the top over the next few weeks.

She performs her routine to 'Reach for the Stars' by S Club 7 dressed in a bright yellow costume with a colourful rainbow, stars and crystals across the front.

Tiana, from Northampton, said: "Torvil and Dean were lovely to me. They said I 'wowed' them and really enjoyed my routine."

Her performance will be featured on the Dancing on Ice 'skate off' show on Sunday evenings over the next couple of weeks.



Tiana Cotterill, who attends the International School of Skating at Planet Ice 'wowed' ice dance superstars Torvil and Dean and will appear on Dancing on Ice

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Japanese diplomat views war exhibition

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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A JAPANESE diplomat has been to view war-themed art at the city's new university centre.

Takao Anzawa, First Secretary responsible for cultural affairs from the Embassy of Japan, visited the Silbury Boulevard-based University Centre Milton Keynes (UCMK) last Wednesday.

He viewed the WAR NOW exhibition, put on by Arts In Milton Keynes (AIM), which combines international and local artists' art and sculpture on the theme of war.

It includes work by John Keane, the official British war artist during the Gulf War, and Milton Keynes-based Edna Read, who has already attracted attention from Japanese galleries with her sculptures.

Dr Keith Straughan, Dean of the UCMK, which welcomed its first intake of students in September, said: "We are delighted to host such an important event at the new University Centre.

"This exhibition is outstanding and has been well received by both students and the visitors. We are glad to say that it is the first of many displays that will be shown in our fabulous new art gallery in



Japanese first secretary Takao Anzawa admires a picture at UCMK

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Sally Reynolds, managing director from Destination Milton Keynes, was one of the cultural representatives who met Mr Anzawa. She said: "Together with the widely acclaimed Milton Keynes Gallery, Milton Keynes continues to attract international attention with its portfolio of

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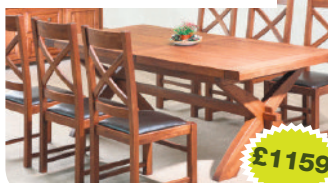
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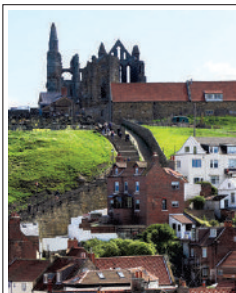


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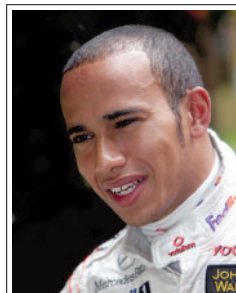


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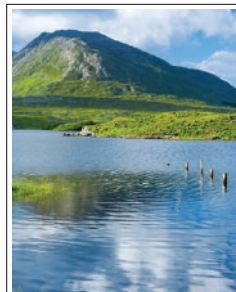


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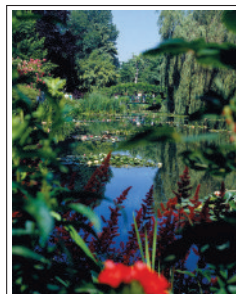


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WENDY 47, blonde hair, blue eyes, honest, caring, seeks similar aged genuine, honest male for fun, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 346294

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BEAUTIFUL independent, single female, 45, 5ft 2ins, slim, likes gym, seeks nice male for friendship, chats and meals out. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 353450

SLIM fun loving, mature female likes to travel, meals out W/LTM tall, younger male to enjoy good times. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 353736

73YR old lady, likes gardening, walks, seeks big hearted, genuine gent of similar age for friendship and conversation. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 351440

SENSUAL blonde female, seeks gent 35 plus for fun and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 348900

UGLY duckling single mum, 32, seeks male, 35-45 for fun and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 339408

PROFESSIONAL black female, 40, single mum, slim, hardworking, honest, GSOH, seeks romantic, honest, reliable white guy for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 353570

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PISCES mum, 39, wants sweet, chilled, funny Nirvana angel as a good friend, lover, soul mate and father figure. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 325410

FEMALE 36, 5ft 5ins, likes socialising, nights in/out, walks, seeks genuine, honest, caring male, 35-42 for LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 260679

PETITE brunette, brown eyes, looking for some fun and laughs with a handsome guy. Call me. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 357888

FEMALE 34, blonde hair, blue eyes, seeks male, 35-40 for love and romance. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 271646

27YR old brunet, slim, curvy, GSOH, seeks honest, romantic male for dates, maybe LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 32192

BABS 62, blonde, widow, likes meals out, travel, seeks honest, trustworthy, romantic male, 55-65 for dates and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 357886

SLIM easygoing blonde, works too hard, needs sincere male to help live on her free time. Looks/status unimportant. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 357894

54YR old lady, likes simple things, seeks loving, caring male, 50-55 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 353922

FEMALE late 40's, slim, brown eyes, 5ft 4ins, seeks fun loving, slim gent with GSOH, full head of hair for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 357886

JENNY fun loving, likes nights out, socialising, dancing, holidays, music, seeks male with similar interests. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 309635

FEMALE mid 40's, dark hair, blue eyes, likes nights in, cinema, meals out, seaside, seeks genuine, kind, N/S male for friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 347716

ATTRACTIVE black, professional female, 27, seeks professional, single white male, 27-35 for 1-2-1 relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 347686

SNOW White 58, seeks Grumpy for late kicking, dancing in the kitchen, wine sipping, fireside snuggling, smiling yay! Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 347664

ATTRACTIVE blonde, blue eyed female, young 56, size 12, full on, 55, Tel Educated, seeks attractive male, 40-59 for fun, maybe relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 305289

DEE 45, black female, 5ft 6ins, size 18, caring, professional, seeks caring male, 48 plus for a loving relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 345844

ATTRACTIVE professional female, blue eyes, GSOH, seeks attractive male, 40-50 for nights out and possible LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 308415

21YR old female, seeks male for fun, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 293312

ATTRACTIVE 41yr old female, GSOH, likes meals out, cinema, nights in, pubs, seeks honest, caring male, 33-40 for possible LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 291750

36YR old divorced female, GSOH, likes motor bikes, clubs, seeks male, 33-40 for possible romance and relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 293228

ATTRACTIVE dizzy blonde, early 40's, seeks funny, romantic, caring male, 36-47 to make her laugh. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 243260

CAROL 47, attractive, slim, GSOH, likes good food/wine, seeks attract, seeks attractive male, 40-50 with similar interests. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 286336

ATTRACTIVE female, 26, single fun, likes' nights in/out, shopping, seeks genuine male for love and commitment. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 284192

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FEMALE 40's, honest, genuine, loving, shy, seeks similar guy for nice times and company. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 282512

63YR old divorced female, 5ft 7ins, like cooking, music, meals out, seeks honest, caring male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 281828

YOUNG looking female, 43, slim, caring, loyal, likes cinema, meals out, seeks male, 38-43 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 304156

35YR old single mum, black, seeks male, 43-44 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 302078

ATTRACTIVE slim female, blonde, mid 40's, seeks attractive male with GSOH to look after and pamper. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 257879

43YR old black lady, divorced, single mum, seeks male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 301932

BLONDE female, 42, likes cinema, clubs, walks, holidays, seeks male, similar age for fun and

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ATTRACTIVE 43yr old female, brown hair, likes meals out, cinema, pubs, walks, seeks genuine, caring male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 280824

FUN attractive female, 57, seeks male, similar age to put sparkle back into life. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 280444

24YR old female, 5ft 8ins, blonde, educated, seeks tall male, 25-35 for relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 264606

ATTRACTIVE 45yr old female, 5ft 5ins, seeks tall male, 45-52 with GSOH for friendship, possible romance. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 263631

LADY 50's, medium build, fed up of Mr Wrong, seeks Mr Right, 40-55, Tel Educated, seeks attractive male, 40-59 for fun, maybe relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 252767

LATE 50's female, seeks younger male, 35-55 for fun and friendship. No timewasters. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 245222

DAMSEL in distress, 50 plus, seeks younger male, 35-50 to rescue her. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 242620

EDITH 37, 5ft 4ins, medium build, black, genuine, caring, in/out, walks, seeks genuine white male, 37-48. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 241582

FEMALE young 60's, 5ft 6ins, attractive, blonde, blue eyes, med, white, cuddly, warm, loving, N/S, GSOH, seeks loving, caring male, 50's-60's for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 314752

ATTRACTIVE black female, 39, single mum, outgoing, slim, seeks genuine, N/S white guy for LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 239894

37 year old medium build lady with dark hair and eyes looking for soul mate. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 242007

SINGLE mum, honest, trustworthy, kind, seeks male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 279922

20YR old female, 5ft 6ins, black, attractive, GSOH, sincere, seeks fun, white male for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 279460

DIVORCED female, 45, attractive, OHAC, seeks sincere male for LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 278926

CAROLE 45, divorced, N/S, brunet, slim-medium build, likes countryside, cinema, theatre, seeks male, 40-53 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 277630

FEMALE 37, 5ft 7ins, medium build, black hair, blue eyes, GSOH, fun loving, seeks male, 37-45 for nights in/out, possible romance. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 272122

SINGLE mum, 34, 5ft 2ins, medium build, loyal, caring, considerate, honest, likes country walks, seeks similar male, 34-45 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 336116

FEMALE GSOH, easygoing, likes reading, walks, gardening, church, cinema, seeks nice male with similar interests. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 238071

TWO 40 something rock chicks, seeks two rock Gods to go to rock concerts with and have fun. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 332870

PETITE attractive female, 55, likes sports, dance, walks, seeks honest male, 54-60 for friendship, maybe more. Ballroom dancer a bonus. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 337196

ATTRACTIVE widow, 61, size 14, caring, Christian, N/S, likes walks, cinema, theatre, seeks committed Christian male with similar interests for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 336116

PRETTY lit, blonde female, 58, seeks attractive male, 50's for clubs, fun and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 290410

SINGLE mum, 46, OHAC, seeks special male to share good times with, days out, seeks male, 24-32 for friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 333566

CHARLOTTE 44, likes sunshine, travel, cinema, meals out, TV, seeks loyal, trustworthy male with GSOH for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 332750

YOUNG 60's female, blonde hair, blue eyes, 5ft 6ins, medium build, warm, loving, GSOH, N/S, seeks sincere, loving male, 50-60's for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 327532

MADELINE 48, smoker, 5ft 7ins, medium build, professional, likes dancing, nights out, seeks male with similar interests and a good personality. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 324342

FEMALE 25, lively, talkative, confident, likes gigs, meals out, or for possible relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 322268

BILLY widowed, lonely, bubbly, seeks intelligent male, 50-60's for friendship/relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 268396

FEMALE 53, 5ft 6ins, short dark hair, hazel eyes, nice figure, likes dancing, pubs, clubs and restaurants, seeks male, 49-53 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 321296

ROCK chick 24, seeks hunky dude, 25 plus for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 321154

PRETTY attractive 57yr old blonde, smart, young looking, young at heart, likes beach football, restaurants, seeks attractive similar male for friendship and romance. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 357716

SINCERE female, attractive, young 60's, N/S, GSOH, varied interests, seeks similar gent, 50-60's for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 360952

MARGARET young 72, divorced, 5ft 2ins, slim, dark hair, attractive, likes holidays, meals out, country drives, seeks nice gent, 65-67 for companionship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 350716

SINGLE female, 46, 5ft 7ins, brown hair, seeks guy of similar age to share life with. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 00338

33YR old bubbly, cuddly, genuine, N/S, 5ft 1ins, seeks romantic, honest, genuine, gentle giant for nights out or cosy nights in. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 340854

STEPH 49, attractive, 5ft 9ins, N/S, GSOH, varied interests, easygoing, seeks 6ft male, 43-51 for fun, laughter, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 298732

HONEST caring, attractive female, 37, black, 5ft 2ins, likes nights in/out, seeks similar male, 37-45 for LTR. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 302096

PAULINE mid 50's, attractive, young looking, likes holidays, honest, caring, genuine, seeks similar guy for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 282688

42YR old black female, divorced, 5ft 8ins, seeks outgoing, caring male, 45-50 for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 282688

SINGLE mum 35 looking for fun and romance. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 237223

BODY male, baby blue eyes, blondy work in good nick, engine boosted by previous owners, seeks female of similar age. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 353566

JOHN 44, handsome, professional, like sports, football, seeks female for relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 352186

TALL blond male, blue eyes, athletic build, caring, seeks female for fun and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 351296

39YR old male, genuine, 5ft 11ins, medium build, easygoing, decent, brown hair, blue eyes, seeks genuine lady. Single mum welcome. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 357682

MALE 35, slim, 5ft 8ins, attractive, honest, caring, genuine, GSOH, N/S, seeks similar female for fun and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 358420

HONEST divorced dad, medium build, likes pubs, meals out, seeks curvy female for fun and friendship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 345178

ATHLETIC professional male, 40, seeks mature female to spoil and pamper. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 358368

ROMANTIC 49yr old male, caring, sharing, seeks female, 40-50 for walks under the stars, sunrise, sunsets, cuddles and to share life. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 358244

JOHN 53, medium build, 5ft 11ins, N/S, likes Northern Soul, seeks female soul mate, 45-55 for companionship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 358222

MICHAEL 35, N/S, reliable, romantic, caring, likes walks, cinema, nights in, seeks black female, 30-40 to share life with. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 358176

37YR old male, 5ft 11ins, slim, honest, OH, romantic, likes pubs, meals out, socialising, gym, seeks female, 25-45. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 339378

TALL male, 43, OHAC, no ties, likes countryside, meals out, nights in, seeks similar female. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 346626

WARM single, solvent, N/S, graduate, 48, enjoys walking, travel, good music, seeks similar intelligent female for fun and relationship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 331664

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JACK 58, 5ft 10ins, divorced, grey hair, green eyes, seeks likes socialising, DIY, quad racing, seeks attractive, sociable female for friendship, maybe more. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 342226

BARRY 64, widower, N/S, seeks female of similar age and circumstances for genuine companionship. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 340454

PAUL 47, own business, likes clay pigeon shooting, horse riding, cycling, country pubs, seeks N/S female, under 45. Tel No: 0911 374 0222 Box No: 338068

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From Friday

IT'S 1985 in an alternative USA of rundown streets, drained resources and imminent war with the Russians. Superheroes have been outlawed and are getting bumped off. Not a good time for the Watchmen to reunite? This film is based on the classic graphic novel by Alan Moore and is set to be one of the films of the year.

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Julia Ormond, Bill Pullman, Pell James, Ryan Simpkins, French Stewart, Kent Harper

From Friday

SOMEWHERE deep inside the Santa Fe desert there have been a number of blood curdling murders – a real killing spree. The local police station is in disarray. As the witnesses tell their stories to the FBI agents who have now taken over, the murderous events unravel. Little Stephanie knows something – something about the agents, Hallaway and Anderson.

WENDY AND LUCY

Michelle Williams, Will Patton, Will Oldham, John Robinson, Wally Dalton, Larry Fessenden

From Friday

KELLY Reichardt's subtle storytelling technique uses a formal minimalist style to weave together a unique emotional and political road film. Wendy Carroll (Michelle Williams) is driving to Ketchikan, Alaska, in hopes of a summer of lucrative work at the Northwestern Fish cannery,



Patrick Wilson as Nite Owl II with Malin Akerman as Silk Spectre II star in Watchmen – at a cinema near you from Friday

and the start of a new life with her dog, Lucy.

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From Friday

A TOUCHING and hilarious fly on the wall that follows the lives of five teenagers – a jock, a popular girl, a heartthrob, an artsy girl and a geek – in one small town in Indiana through their senior year of high school. Filming daily for ten months, filmmaker Nanette Burstein developed a

deep understanding of her subjects. The result is a film that goes beyond the stereotypes of high school to show complex young people trying to find their way into adulthood.

THE UNBORN

Gary Oldman, Odette Yustman, Cam Gigandet

Now showing

WHEN Casey Beldon (Yustman) starts dreaming of a terrifying young child, she begins an investigation that reveals that the twin brother she absorbed when they were in the

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HAMLET 2 (15)

Steve Coogan, Catherine Keener, David Arquette, Amy Poehler

Now showing

DANA Marschz (Coogan) is a failed actor-turned-high school drama teacher. When his department is threatened by budget cuts he creates a musical sequel to Hamlet that soon has the community and the school board on his back.

FILM REVIEW

CONFESSIONS OF A SHOPAHOLIC

A BUDDING journalist gets a new job writing as a financial adviser.

The only problem is Rebecca Bloomwood has an addiction to shopping and debt collectors are calling her 24/7.

She conceals the debt from her new editor and family, cue a web of lies which come back to bite her.

She only took the position to move closer to her dream job in the fashion world but soon becomes a hit with the readers and love is on the horizon.

But her column is written in a disguised name known only as 'The Girl in the Green Scarf' and it becomes more difficult for Rebecca to keep her two worlds apart.

Despite her money troubles she continues to spend, spend, spend, on all things unnecessary in her life.

It is something every woman can identify with – you walk past a shop and the mannequin is asking you to come into the store.

Actress Isla Fisher brings great comic timing to her role as Rebecca and had the packed-out cinema roaring with laughter on several occasions.

Unsurprisingly, the film has been criticised for encouraging people to waste money during the recession.

The film's target audience are going to be flashing the cash and plastic on shiny shoes and new handbags regardless.

I left thinking I am the real life Rebecca Bloomwood – my name is Simone, and I'm a shopaholic.

SIMONE CORGAN

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OPUS

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Theatre District 237400
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Theatre District 558905
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ARTWORKS GREAT LINFORD



STUDIO artist Roy Holding at Artworks Great Linford is displaying his new exhibition Vista, a collection of watercolours.

After studying at Barnet College, Roy has continued his love of painting and has exhibited in galleries across the country.

He moved to Milton Keynes in 1970 when he held his first solo exhibition of water colour works in Stony Stratford.

Roy is a highly accomplished

water colourist and his work is inspired by rural landscapes with architectural interest like those found in remote areas of Wales and Scotland.

His recent works have been greatly influenced by visits to rustic villages and towns within France.

The exhibition runs from Saturday, March 7 to April 18 opening Monday- Friday 10am-4pm and Saturdays 10am-12pm.

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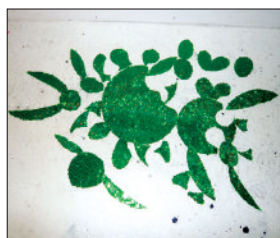
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AMERICAN artist Polly Apfelbaum's first solo exhibition in a UK public gallery runs for another three weeks at Milton Keynes Gallery.

Her work is characterised by an exacting investigation into colour and form, mainly manifesting itself as expansive floor-based installations.

Describing her works as 'fallen paintings', Apfelbaum's practice brings together two of the legacies of twentieth century American art history: Minimalism and Pop Art. In recent years, Apfelbaum has employed imagery appropriated from Pop's father figure, Andy Warhol, in the form of dingbats and flower motifs. In addition to the floor-based installation work, these have appeared in many shapes and guises, such as vivid screen-prints, woodblocks or shapes drawn with dye on synthetic velvet. Other work is more abstract, utilising stains and blots that suggest organic form.

In a departure from her usual practice of fabricating the elements of her work first in her New York studio, Apfelbaum will be making all the new work for Milton Keynes Gallery's exhibi-



tion on-site when she arrives, over the course of five days.

For the artist, it is important for the work to be 'situational' and to involve an element of performance, in direct response to the gallery space.

She said: "I think it helps move the work away from the object, thinking of it more as a series of relationships, both in space, but also in time – the piece only exists for the duration of the show."

Her new works will use what appear at first glance to be simple offcuts of highly reflective, sequined fabric. These hard-edged, spidery forms will offer spatially ambiguous yet compelling colour-themed installations that evoke more calligraphic and abstract readings.

■ For further details visit the gallery's website at www.mk-g.org

DAILY LIFE

FRIDAY

FIVE Men Not Called Matt. Vaults Bar, Stony Stratford. 8pm. They are men; there may be five of them; they are not called Matt. Clear so far? They do offer acapella singing of traditional songs, some of which go back weeks, and they do invite you to join in even if your name is Matt. There may be some serious songs; there WILL be some daft ones. Entry is FREE.

SNO!storm at SNO!zone. The infamous quarterly party - both on the slope and in the bar. With new park set ups every time the riders know it just gets get better and better! Each event sees a host of kickers and rails plus other toys out on the snow.

IMAGES of the Universe. Rectory Cottages, Church Green Road, Bletchley. A talk by Paul Money organised by the Milton Keynes

Astronomical Society. Starts 8pm. Admission free. Contact Mike Leggett 01908 503692.

SATURDAY

ROCKING Horse Night: The Bullfrogs third CD Launch at The White Horse, Stony Stratford. Your chance to see and hear the new tracks, and enjoy a great night of country rock and rolling Cajun. Starts 8.30pm. Free. Phone 01908 567082.

SUNDAY

ENDLESS Knot at Woughton Leisure Centre. Cover band playing Stereophonics, Green Day, Snow Patrol. 1pm, Free entry.

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NEVER THE BRIDE

Saturday, March 7, 8pm

SHIRLEY Bassey recently covered their song The Living Tree, and with big support slots with The Who, ZZ



Albert Niland

Top and The Pretenders, Never The Bride are tipped for the top.

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ALBERT NILAND

Saturday, March 7, 8.45pm

Best known in his native Ireland for his soulful cover of Kate Bush's Wuthering Heights, singer-songwriter Albert's boundary-breaking guitar work and powerful vocal style continues to attract airplay, atten-

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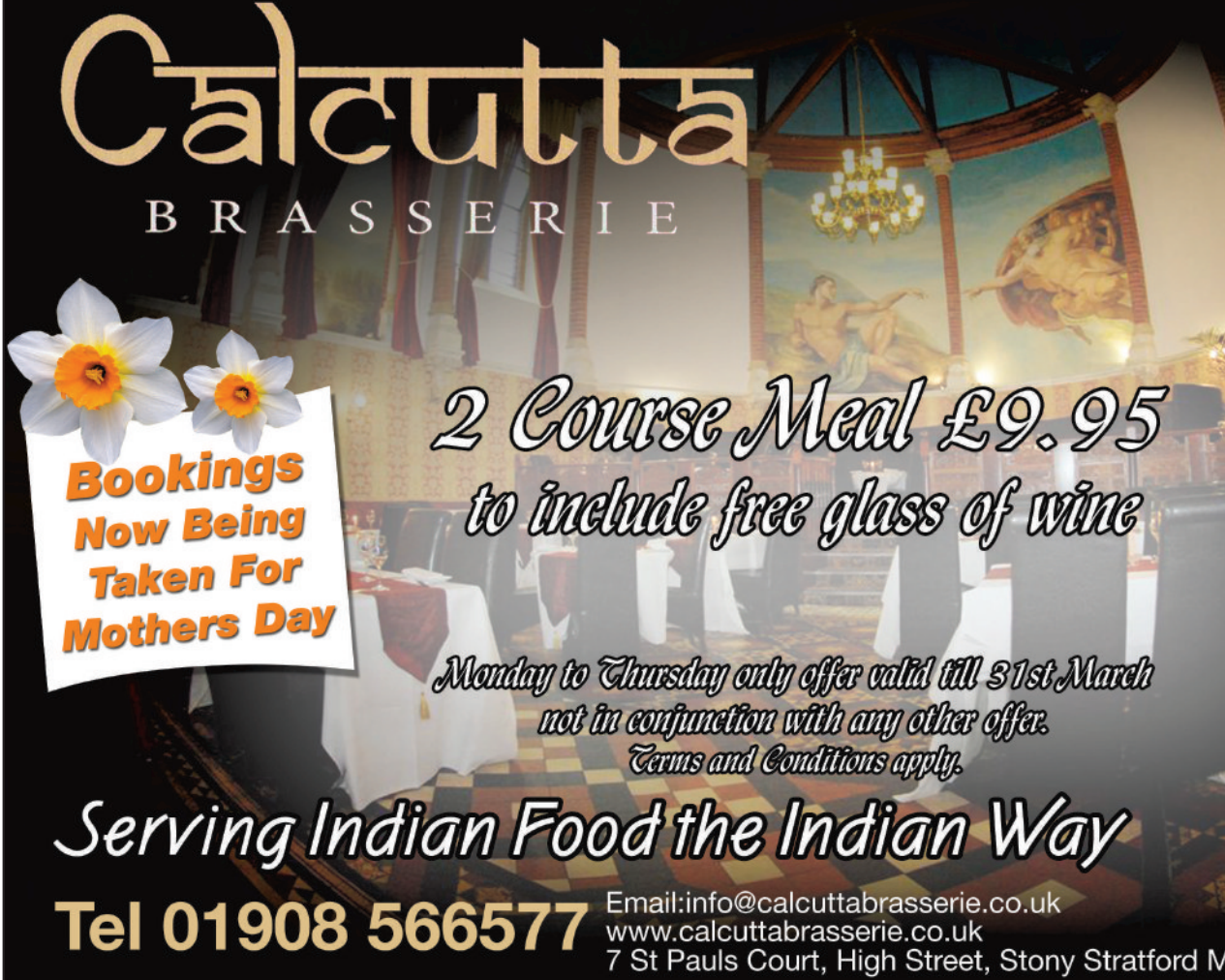
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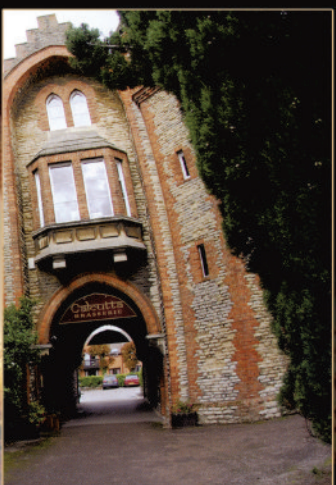
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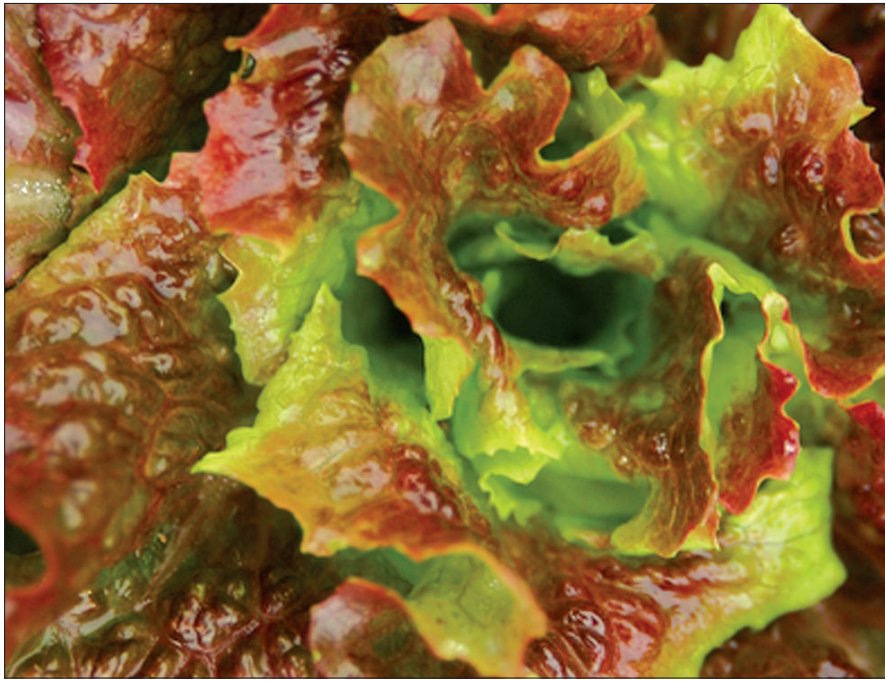
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GARDENING LIFE

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In the supermarkets bags of salad leaves fetch a premium price and still lack the taste of those freshly picked from the garden, plus you also get all that plastic packaging.

If you grow nothing else this year you should have a go at growing some, they require very little space and are fantastic to eat minutes after picking.

Commercially produced lettuces may receive several applications of chemicals before appearing in the shops, if you grow a few in your garden you don't have to use any.

Salad leaves can be grown almost anywhere, on an allotment, in a vegetable patch in a container or window box or even in the flower border.

There are a wide range of varieties available, some of my favourites are Little Gem, cos, lollo rosso and butterhead lettuces as well as rocket.

Also increasingly popular are the oriental vegetables like pak choi, Chinese cabbage and mustards.

Many companies also produce packs of mixed seeds, which are ideal, as you probably won't be able to sow, let alone eat all the produce from one packet of seed.

No matter where you are sowing the method is the same. When sown as 'cut and come again' crops, in order to feed a family of four, thinly sow the equivalent of

one 2 metre (6 ft) row, 1cm deep every four weeks.

When the leaves are big enough, use a pair of scissors to cut the leaves starting with the biggest plants.

Leave the base of the plant intact and it will sprout again. Plants can be cut several times, but only cut what you need and use the leaves as soon as you have cut them.

Ensure you keep the plants well-watered taking care to wet the soil and not the leaves and offer some shade when the long hot summer gets here.

Have some horticultural fleece handy to throw over them if the weather turns either very cold or very hot.

Your plants may need some protection from slugs. If you choose to use slug pellets then ensure you follow the instructions in order to protect wildlife.

Otherwise there are various organic options to create barriers such as using soot, crushed eggshells and sharp grit.

Remember if you want an earlier crop or only have space for a few plants then you can always buy young cabbage and salad leaf plants which will be available in the garden centre this month.

OTHER JOBS IN THE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE GARDEN

Your last chance to plant bare root raspberry canes
Plant fruit bushes and trees if you did not get the chance in the autumn
Plant strawberries, shallots and onions

Choose your seed potatoes and 'chit' them for an early crop
Start sowing tender crops such as tomatoes, peppers and sweet corn

JOBS THIS MONTH

This is an ideal time to plant new evergreens, conifers and hedges. The stems of buddleias, dogwoods, willows, hardy fuchsias and ceratostigma should be pruned back hard.

Wash greenhouse glass, cold frames and cloches inside and out with soapy water to clean away any build-up of dirt. This ensures your plants get the most light at a dull time of year.



Liz Thurley is a garden designer and the owner of Roman Way Garden Centre. If you have any questions get in touch at info.romanway@yahoo.co.uk or call 01908 542427

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TELEVISION WEEK

THIS week's guide to what's on telly starts with a new series, **Red Riding, Thursday, 9pm, Channel 4.**

The series is three interlinking dramas about police corruption in the 1970s and 1980s in Yorkshire, based on David Peace's Red Riding novels.

A rookie journalist attends a press conference where a woman makes an emotional plea for her missing daughter. He soon discovers similarities between the disappearance of two other girls, and becomes determined to investigate the links - only to come up against an increasingly complex web of lies and deceit. The second film, 1980, can be seen next week.

Next up is **Soldier Girls: On the Road to Afghanistan, Thursday, 7.35pm, Channel 4.**

A documentary following two women as they undergo the final stages of officer training at Sandhurst Military Academy in preparation for active service in Afghanistan. Educated at public school, 21-year-old Holly Saunders is excited at the prospect of experiencing warfare, while 23-year-old Sarah Friend is an Iraq veteran from a working-class background.

Timewatch: The Real Bonnie and Clyde, Saturday, 8pm, BBC2

A documentary about notorious American outlaws Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow. With unprecedented access to gang members' memoirs, family archives and recently released police records, Timewatch searches for the true story of the couple and their mob. While Hollywood portrayed the pair as the most glamorous outlaws in American history, the reality of life on the run was one of violence, hardship and danger.

On **Sunday, 7pm, Channel 4** superchef Heston Blumenthal combines myth, science and history to recreate great feasts in Heston's Victorian Feasts.

In this first programme, he takes inspiration from Lewis Carroll's Alice's Adventures in Wonderland, bringing to life the Mad Hatter's Tea Party. Among the surreal dishes he prepares are mock turtle broth, an edible garden, and absinthe-flavoured jelly, each of which will be sampled by his guests BBC correspondent Raghoebar, actor Jemma Redgrave, presenter Dawn Porter, journalist Toby Young and presenter Richard Bacon.

SIMON DARNELL

PARIS IS BURNING

Ladyhawke

EVERY so often, I hear songs that do something a bit different to the norm and I try to guess what it was that led to that particular moment of genius or disaster.

Take this song for example, it's an agreeable enough slab of funky disco that's miles better than Ladyhawke's previous single, and if that was all there was to it, that'd be more than good enough to merit a lengthy residency inside the Top 40.

However, this song has a trump card and that's whatever the hell it is the drummer thinks she's doing.

I'm guessing the drummer's a she as Ladyhawke is effectively a one-woman show. I find these things out so you don't need to.

Now then, back to the drumming, and it sounds very much as though she's approached this song as an exercise in how to persuade today's children that bashing away at a drum kit with two sticks of wood can be cool.

Every so often she gives the drums a bit of a pounding, but it's the sort of pounding you'd expect as the song moves from the verse to the chorus - here's the clever bit though, on this song it happens throughout the verses. Works a treat too.

This song is an example of what happens when the drummer says, 'Cobblers to what I'm meant to do, I'm going to do things my way for once'.



WRONG

Depeche Mode

BRITNEY Spears is notable in this review for two things.

Number one - I never thought the day would come when I started a Depeche Mode single review with the words 'Britney' and 'Spears'.

Number two - she used the word 'womaniser' in the song of the same name on no fewer than 42 occasions.

Well, Dave Gahan has raised the bar by singing the word 'wrong' 68 times during the 3:11 duration, or if you want a proper scientific analysis, that's once every 2.81 seconds.

In your face, Britney Spears.

What's more, there's no chorus to speak of either, unless you count the title being repeated a couple of times here and there, which I don't.

That's not a proper chorus, that's more of a chant.

Anyway, that only uses up a handful of wrongs, so the rest are sprinkled liberally throughout the verses as Dave sings about a life gone completely off the rails.

There's astrology (wrong sign,



house and ascendancy), time (wrong day and week), non-conformity (being on the wrong page of the wrong book), and by the end of the song he's covered everything except Wallace and Gromit in The Wrong Trousers.

This isn't a song seeking redemption for any naughtiness that's been occurring, this is basically a song saying 'Yep, I've made a bit of a cock-up of my life and it's a bit late to change now. So there'.

The tune is pretty good too, but compared to their more recent singles this is the band on home territory - this probably won't gain them many new fans, but the ones they have should be more than happy.

As U2 get older, they reinvent themselves. As Depeche Mode get older, they get angrier and, as they evidently still have something to say, that approach works for me. Just so long as they don't carry on ranting and raving until they end up sounding like the sort of people who think that a balloon with a face drawn on it is somehow alive, that's all I ask.

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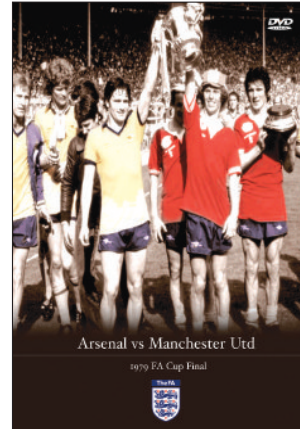
CHELSEA V LEEDS 1970

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Arsenal vs Manchester Utd

1979 FA Cup Final

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WEST HAM UNITED V ARSENAL 1980

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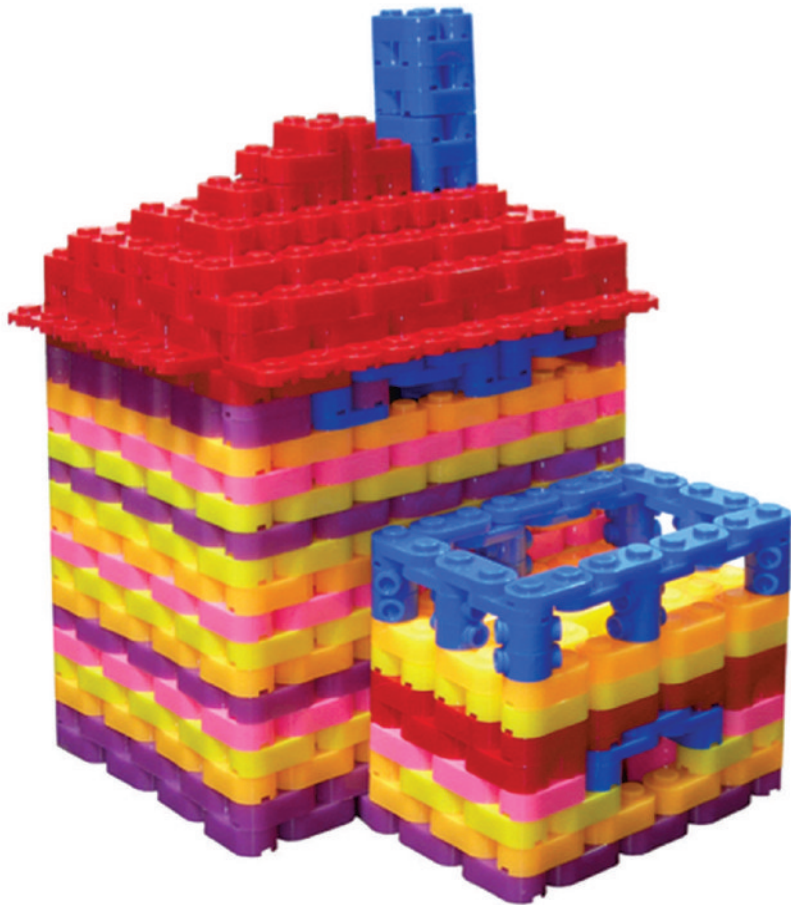
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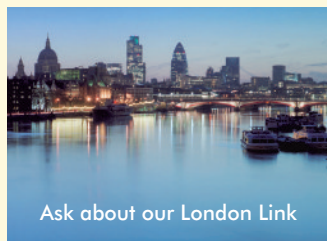


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These fantastic one bedroom apartments are great value for money. They offer an open plan kitchen, dining and living area. Big master bedroom with a family bathroom. This apartment also has an allocated parking space. Situated near A5 and major trunk roads. Call us now to arrange a viewing!

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£141,995



This spacious 2 double bedroom, 2 bathroom apartment is bigger than some 3 bedroom houses at 825sqft. Ideally located with a short walk of the train station. The development offers private residents garden and allocated parking. This is one of the best value new apartments in Milton Keynes. Hurry before it sells!!!

LIFT TO YOUR UNDERGROUND CARPARK £199,000



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Set in an enviable lakeside development, a range of luxury 2 bedroom apartments with 2 Juliet balconies. Hotel style internal corridors with contemporary lifts and stairwell set the scene for entering your modern, light home with an excellent specification. Situated on the edge of Milton Keynes. Ready now, key in office.

BACKING ONTO PARKLAND £595,000



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Set on a no through road just 24 homes surrounded by parkland and an original church, yet all the convenience of Milton Keynes and M1 junction. This fantastic 5 bedroom detached house with double garage offers everything you need for a family lifestyle. The accommodation comprises of a big kitchen/diner, 2 separate reception rooms and a utility. This property also boasts 5 great bedrooms and 4 bath/shower rooms.

CITY CENTRE APARTMENT!

£174,950



Fantastic luxury 2 bedroom apartments with far reaching views over the city centre. Forming part of this exclusive development surrounding a fountain square, with restaurants and brasseries. The lifts will take you to the edge of the car park where your allocated space is. We have keys with viewing highly recommended! Photo of similar building.

CANAL SIDE SETTING £249,950



SORRY, SOLD LAST WEEK

This home has a almost 26ft lounge and 4 double bedrooms with 3 bath/en-suites and kitchen. Set on a development by the canal side and Waterhall Park. Outside your parking is gated within the plot. Ideally located, just off the A5, A4146 junction for southern destinations. Ready now, key in office

3 DOUBLE BEDROOMS WITH GARAGE £220,000



SORRY, SOLD LAST WEEK

This fantastic 3 storey property has the benefit of a garage and 2 parking spaces. A versatile internal layout with a top floor master bedroom incorporating a dressing room and en-suite. The use of big windows to most rooms, offers a light airy feel to the contemporary design. Situated on the east of Milton Keynes, offering excellent access to the M1.

SEPARATE RECEPTION ROOMS

£229,995



Rarely available 3 bedroom semi detached home with separate receptions including spacious lounge with doors onto the garden. There is also an en suite from the master bedroom. Situated on a newly released development on the edge of east Milton Keynes with quick access to the M1. (Please note: the plot for sale is semi detached)

BIG DISCOUNTS AVAILABLE £144,995



SORRY, SOLD LAST WEEK

Set on the fringe of the new city with the river Ouzel meandering past. A striking development of apartments with the convenience of A5 trunk road a short drive. Also a range of amenities are available within walking distance. The apartment is now finished and ready to occupy, which offers you some incredible opportunities for incentives. These spacious 2 bedroom apartments, boasts double bedrooms and a spacious living room. Certain plots have 2 Juliet balconies and lifts to undercroft secure parking. CALL (01908) 677227

SELF CONTAINED APARTMENT £264,950



SORRY, SOLD LAST WEEK

This 4/5 bedroom detached home with carport and garage offers an amazingly versatile layout. A traditional 2 reception room home can be found on the first floor, with the ground floor offering two rooms, and W/C and utility. To give an ideal space for a teenager/relative to live independently. The top floor of the home has three further double bedrooms and en-suite/bathroom. Situated in a popular area on the edge of west Milton Keynes. The development is away from main roads and backs onto the north Bucks bridle way with countryside beyond. Internal picture of similar kitchen.

AMAZING VIEWS

£499,000



A striking crescent of townhouses, set on the shores of acres of lake and parkland on the edge of Milton Keynes. Offering high specification and a very versatile layout. With three floors of water facing terrace/balconies. The top floor terrace offers a retreat high above water with far reaching views. Under the homes is a secure underground car park, where you will find your own cellar/storeroom.

DETACHED 4 BED, 2 RECEPTIONS, 3 BATHROOMS £389,950



SORRY, SOLD LAST WEEK

This detached home is a 'one off' design. Taking advantage of it's setting with balconies from 3 different rooms. Offering a versatile layout with up to 4 receptions. Situated in a very popular part of Milton Keynes with sought after schooling, an abundance of parkland and quick access to the M1.

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Springfield £109,995

- * Three bedroom
- * Mid terraced property
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen
- * Bathroom
- * Off road parking and car port

PUBLIC NOTICE
28 Gibwin, Great Linford, Milton Keynes, MK14 5DP

We advise that an offer has been made for the above property in the sum of **£62,500**. Any persons wishing to increase on this offer should notify the agents of their best offer prior to exchange of contracts

Willen £35,000

- * Three Bedroom Detached
- * Shared Ownership
- * In need of refurbishment
- * Study/Third Bedroom
- * Lounge/Diner
- * Kitchen
- * Bathroom
- * Gardens

Tattenhoe £199,995

- * 3 bedroom detached
- * Cul de sac location
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * En suite to Master
- * Garage
- * Gardens

Tattenhoe £219,995

SOLD STC THIS WEEK! SIMILAR REQUIRED

- * Attractive three bedroom detached
- * Separate reception rooms
- * Conservatory
- * En suite
- * Gardens
- * Garage

Bradwell Common £115,000

- * 2 Bedrooms
- * Entrance Hall
- * Bathroom
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Gardens

Willen Park £179,995

- * 2 1/2 bedroom detached
- * Large corner plot
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen/diner
- * Bathroom
- * Garden
- * Garage

Great Linford OIEO £125,000

SOLD STC THIS WEEK! SIMILAR REQUIRED

- * Four bedrooms
- * Downstairs cloakroom
- * Separate lounge
- * Kitchen/diner
- * Enclosed rear garden
- * Double Glazed
- * Off road parking

Shenley Brook End £239,995

- * Four Bedrooms
- * Separate reception rooms
- * Kitchen
- * En Suite
- * Gardens
- * Garage

Monkston O.I.E.O £160,000

- * 3 Bedrooms
- * End of terrace
- * Lounge
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Family Bathroom
- * Gardens
- * Off road parking

The Hub OIEO £65,000

- * One bedroom apartment
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Double Glazing
- * Situated in the Central Milton Keynes premier location.
- * Communal entrance
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen
- * Bedroom

Oldbrook £179,995

- * Four bedroom semi detached
- * Entrance Hall
- * Cloakroom
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Lounge
- * Family Bathroom
- * Rear Garden
- * A viewing is highly recommended !

Tattenhoe £147,500

SOLD STC THIS WEEK! SIMILAR REQUIRED

- * Two bedroom Semi
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen
- * Family bathroom
- * Gardens and garage
- * Must be viewed!

Great Linford £62,500

- * 4 Bedrooms
- * 3 Storey Terrace
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Family Bathroom
- * Garden
- * Carport

Fishermead £109,995

- * 3 Bedrooms
- * Vacant Possession
- * Entrance Hall
- * Shower Room
- * Kitchen
- * Lounge
- * Bathroom
- * Gardens

Great Linford OIEO £250,000

SOLD STC THIS WEEK! SIMILAR REQUIRED

- * 4 1/2 Spacious Detached Property
- * Central Heating
- * Separate Reception Rooms
- * Utility
- * En-Suite to Master Bedroom
- * Garage
- * Gardens
- * Call to view 01908 678151

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Broughton £170,000

- * 4 Bedrooms
- * En suite
- * Dressing Area
- * Downstairs cloakroom
- * Kitchen/breakfast
- * Lounge
- * Dining Room
- * Garage

Peartree Bridge £165,000

- * 4 Bedrooms
- * Kitchen/Breakfast
- * Lounge
- * Balcony overlooking marine canal
- * Family Bathroom
- * Garden
- * Must be viewed

Broughton £280,000

- * 4 Bedrooms Townhouse
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen * Diner
- * Three En-suites
- * Balcony to master bedroom
- * Double bedrooms
- * Gardens

Fishermead OIEO £125,000

- * Three Bedroom Terraced
- * Shower Room/Cloakroom
- * Kitchen/Dining Room
- * Lounge
- * Bathroom
- * Garden
- * Carport

Neath Hill £125,000

- * Well presented three bedroom
- * Three storey mid terraced
- * Downstairs cloakroom
- * Kitchen/diner
- * Double bedrooms
- * Carport

Neath Hill OIEO £140,000

- * Three/Four Bedroom Townhouse
- * Entrance Hall
- * Cloakroom
- * Kitchen
- * Dining Room
- * Lounge
- * Off Road Parking & Garage
- * Gardens

Eaglestone £159,995

- * 3 Bedrooms
- * Central location
- * Cloakroom
- * Refitted Kitchen
- * Lounge
- * Refitted Bathroom
- * Rear garden
- * Garage in block

Willen £290,000

- * 4 Bedrooms
- * Kitchen
- * Utility room
- * Refitted Kitchen
- * Dining Room
- * Lounge
- * Family Bathroom
- * En-suite

Browns Wood £104,995

- * Two Bedroom Property
- * Semi-Detached
- * Kitchen
- * Lounge
- * Bathroom
- * Gardens
- * Driveway and Garage
- * Vacant Possession

Great Holm £235,000

- * Four bedroom detached
- * Cloakroom & Utility
- * Kitchen
- * Dining Room
- * Lounge
- * En suite & Bathroom
- * Gardens
- * Off road parking & Double garage

Old Farm Park O.I.E.O. £310,000

- * Four Bedrooms
- * Central Heating & Double Glazing
- * Separate Reception Rooms
- * Utility Room
- * Study
- * En-suite to Master
- * Family Bathroom
- * Gardens and Triple Garage

Two Mile Ash £280,000

- * 4 Bedrooms
- * Detached property
- * Cloakroom
- * 3 Reception rooms
- * Kitchen/breakfast Room
- * Study
- * En-suite
- * Gardens

Bradville £79,750

- * One bedroom terrace
- * Entrance Porch
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Lounge
- * Bathroom
- * Garden

Wavendon Gate £209,995

- * Four Bedroom Detached Property
- * Corner Plot
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Separate Reception Rooms
- * Utility
- * Gardens
- * Off Road Parking
- * Garage

Pennyland £142,500

- * 3 Bedrooms
- * Lounge
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Utility Room
- * Family Bathroom
- * Gardens
- * Carport

Bradwell Common £199,995

- * Three bedroom link detached
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Lounge
- * Dining room
- * Master bedroom with en-suite
- * gardens and garage.

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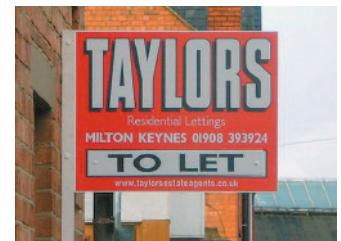
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Wolverton Mill £750pcm



Taylor's Residential Lettings are delighted to offer this stunning one bedroom Coachhouse apartment situated in the newly built area of Wolverton Mill. The property comes fully furnished, with a garden and garage. Must be seen!

Deanshanger £725pcm



Taylor's residential lettings are delighted to offer this three bedroom semi-detached property situated in the popular area of Deanshanger. Furnishing optional. Available mid July 2008.

Broughton £695pcm



Taylor's Residential Lettings are delighted to offer first floor apartment, situated in the popular location of Broughton. The property comprises of * Entrance Hall * Lounge * Kitchen * 2 Double Bedrooms * En-suite * Family Bathroom * Parking.

Oakhill £700pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer this 2 bedroom Second floor Apartment situated in the popular 'Oakhill' area of Milton Keynes. The property is offered unfurnished and is available from the end of February 2009. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Broughton £700pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer this Well Presented 2 bedroom First floor Apartment, Situated in the Popular 'Broughton' area of Milton Keynes. The property is Furnished and available Immediately. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

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Fishermead £695pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer this three double bedroom property situated in close proximity to Central Milton Keynes shopping centre. The property is ideal for commuters as it is located approximately 2 miles from the central train station. It is offered unfurnished and is available immediately! Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Fenny Stratford £675pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer this newly converted 2 bedroom ground floor apartment situated in the popular Fenny Stratford area of Milton Keynes. The property is unfurnished and available immediately. Must be seen!

Kingsmead £650pcm



Taylor's Lettings are Delighted to offer this well presented 1 bedroom Second floor apartment, Situated in the much sought after location of Kingsmead. The property is part furnished and available from the middle of March 2009. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Bletchley £650pcm



Taylor's Residential Lettings are delighted to offer this fully re-furnished two bedroom Victorian property, situated in the popular location of Bletchley. The property is unfurnished and available immediately. Must be viewed!

Stony Stratford £695pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer this Well presented 1 Bedroom Maisonette with Character, Situated in the much sought after Historical Market Town of Stony Stratford. The property is furnished and available immediately. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

The Hub £775pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer for rent this Well Presented 1 bedroom apartment, Situated on the 7th floor of the Brooklyn House building at the hub/CMK. The property is available from 16th April 2009 and is Part furnished. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924

Bletchley £795pcm



Taylor's Residential Lettings are delighted to offer this newly built first floor apartment situated within the Red Row development in Bletchley. The property has options on furniture and is available to let from June 2008. Ideal for the train station. * Please be advised that the photos shown are of the show flat only.

Leighton Buzzard £825pcm



Taylor's Lettings are delighted to offer this well presented 3 Bedroom property Situated in the Popular 'Sandhills' development in Leighton Buzzard. The property is designed over 3 floors for spacious modern living and comprises of 3 double bedrooms, 3 bathrooms lounge, kitchen garden and a garage with allocated parking. The property is available from the end of February 2009 and is unfurnished. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Middleton £3,500pcm



Taylor's Lettings are Delighted to offer this Superb 6 Bedroom Detached Executive Home for rent. The property is located in the highly desirable location of Middleton and boasts 6 Double bedrooms, 3 Reception rooms, 4 Bathrooms and a Large Family Kitchen with Breakfast Bar and Utility area. The property sits on a generous plot with gardens and extensive decking areas, and includes a double garage and parking with electronic secure gates to the front of the property. This property must be seen to be fully appreciated. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment. 01908 393924

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Wolverton £110,000



- * Two Bedroom
- * Victorian Property
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- * Extremely Well Presented
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- * Well Presented * Extended
- * Two Bedroom
- * End of Terrace Home
- * Conservatory
- * Field Views and Off Road Parking
- * Must Be Viewed!

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Two Bedroom
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Stony Stratford
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Wolverton Mill £159,995



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- * Three Bedrooms * Three Storey Townhouse
- * Kitchen * Lounge/Diner
- * Rear Garden * Garage
- * Ensuite to Master * NO UPPER CHAIN!

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Stony Stratford O.I.E.O. £165,000



- * Well Presented
- * Three Bedroom
- * Victorian Style Property
- * Gas Radiator Heating
- * Refitted Kitchen * Garage
- * Must Be Viewed!

Deanshanger £165,000



- * Two Bedroom
- * Victorian Style Terraced
- * Gas Radiator Heating
- * Separate Reception Rooms
- * No Upper Chain
- * Must Be Viewed!

Wolverton £159,995



- * Beautifully Presented
- * Three Bedroom * Mid-Terraced Property
- * Double Glazing * Gas Radiator Heating
- * Garage * Off Road Parking
- * Rear Garden
- * Viewing Recommended

New Bradwell O.I.R.O. £245,000



- * Well Presented * 3/4 Bedroom
- * Detached Bungalow
- * Double Glazing
- * Gas Radiator Heating
- * Ample Off Road Parking
- * Must Be Viewed!

Beachampton £245,000



- * An Individual and Well Presented
- * Detached Bungalow
- * Situated on a No Through Lane
- * Refitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- * Two Double Bedrooms
- * Single Bedroom/Study
- * Gardens, Garage and Driveway

Two Mile Ash £139,995



- * Well Presented
- * Two Bedroom
- * Semi Detached Home
- * Two Double Bedrooms
- * Refitted Kitchen
- * Garage and Garden

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Newport Pagnell £159,995



- * Three bedrooms * Well presented
- * Semi detached * Double glazing
- * Gas to radiator heating * Rear Garden
- * Off road parking * 01908 611966

Blakelands Offers In Excess Of £200,000



- * Four bedrooms * Detached family home
- * Double glazing * Gas to radiator heating
- * Ensuite to bedroom one * Garage
- * Off road parking * Private rear garden
- * 01908 611966

Stoke Goldington £585,000



- * Large plot * Grade II listed
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- * Long private driveway * Idyllic setting
- * Detached double garage * Ensuite bathroom
- * Separate reception * Off road parking

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Bozeat £169,995



- * Three Bedrooms * Extremely well presented
- * Semi detached property * Cul-de-sac location
- * Views over fields * Refitted kitchen/diner
- * Downstairs cloakroom/utility * Front and rear gardens
- * Driveway * Single garage * 01234 713333

Turvey £159,995



- * Well Presented * Three Bedroom
- * Semi Detached Home
- * Undergone Many Improvements
- * Brick Built Outbuilding * UPVC Double Glazing
- * Gas Radiator Heating * Gardens
- * Must Be Viewed!

Newport Pagnell Offers In Excess Of £300,000



- * Four bedroom detached * Very well presented
- * Double glazing * Gas to radiator heating
- * Downstairs cloakroom * Large private rear garden
- * Double garage * Off road parking
- * 01908 611966

Ms W is in rented and urgently looking to buy a 4 bed detached in Olney
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Irchester £174,995



- * Four Bedrooms * Lounge
- * Dining Room * Fitted Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- * En-suite * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Garage & Driveway
- * Call Now On 01234 713333

Astwood £225,000



- * Four/five bedrooms * Extended
- * Double glazing * Conservatory
- * Downstairs shower room * Front & rear gardens
- * Off road parking * 01908 611966

Newport Pagnell £174,995



- * Three bedrooms * Extended semi detached
- * Double glazing * Gas to radiator heating
- * Front & rear gardens * Garage
- * Off road parking * 01908 611966

Olney £199,995



- * Immaculately Presented
- * Three Bedroom
- * Modern Property
- * Cloakroom * Gardens
- * Parking For Approx Two Vehicles
- * Must Be Viewed!

Rushden £149,995



- * Three bedrooms * Semi detached
- * Finished to a high standard
- * Fitted kitchen * UPVC double glazing
- * Gas to radiator heating * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Rear garden * Allocated parking space
- * 01234 713333

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Emerson Valley £265,000



- * Four Bedroom Detached Property
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Dining Room
- * Kitchen
- * Lounge
- * Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Double Garage

Shenley Church End POA



- * Two Bedroom Property
- * Semi-Detached
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen
- * Family Bathroom
- * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Single Garage
- * No Upper Chain

Miss B is a first time buyer and looking for a three bedroom property in the Bletchley area up to £150,000. Can you help? Call 01908 370861!

'Roses' Guide Price £150,000



- * Three Bedrooms
- * Extended Semi
- * Central Heating
- * Double Glazing
- * Re-fitted Kitchen
- * Separate Reception Rooms
- * Bathroom
- * Off Road Parking

Shenley Lodge £129,995



- * Two Bedroom Terraced Property
- * In Our Opinion 'Well Presented'
- * Entrance Hall
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen
- * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Off Road Parking
- * A Viewing is a Must!

Kingsmead £345,000



- * Four Bedroom Detached Property
- * In Our Opinion Extremely Well Presented
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Study & Utility
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Double Garage

Furzton £149,995



- * Two Bedrooms
- * Semi-detached
- * Central Heating
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Off Road Parking
- * Gardens
- * Garage

Stoke Hammond £310,000



- * Two Bedrooms
- * Detached Bungalow
- * Entrance Porch
- * Kitchen
- * Lounge/Diner
- * Sun Room
- * Utility Room
- * Bathroom

Emerson Valley



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- * Three Bedroom Property
- * Semi-Detached
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Family Room
- * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Garage
- * Off Road Parking

Urgently required! 4 Bed properties within the Shenley Brook End School Catchment. Call Taylors Westcroft on 01908 524456

Emerson Valley £99,995



- * One Bedroom Property
- * Central Heating
- * Double Glazing
- * Kitchen
- * Lounge
- * Family Bathroom
- * A Viewing is a must!

West Bletchley £159,995



- * Three Bedrooms
- * Semi-detached Property
- * Central Heating
- * Double Glazing
- * Lounge
- * Dining Room
- * Kitchen
- * Bathroom

Urgently Required! 2 & 3 bed properties in West Milton Keynes. Call Taylors Westcroft on 01908 524456

Shenley Brook End



ANOTHER ONE SOLD STC! SIMILAR REQUIRED! CALL !

- * Four Bedroom Detached Property
- * Downstairs Cloakroom
- * Study
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Conservatory
- * Master Bedroom with En-Suite
- * Front & Rear Gardens
- * Double Garage

Bletchley Park £225,000



- * Three Bedrooms
- * Link-Detached
- * Central Heating
- * Double Glazing
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Utility Room
- * Bathroom

Mr J has Sold (STC) and is looking for a three bedroom property up to £130,000. Can you help? Call 01908 370861!

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Mr & Mrs B are looking for a 2/3 bedroom property in Monkston. Can you help? Please call for a free market appraisal.

EAGLESTONE £124,995



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- * Fitted Kitchen With Built in Oven & Hob

- * 2 Double Bedrooms
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- * Close To CMK (PHOTO SHOWS BLOCK)



NEW

DOWNHEAD PARK

£137,000

- * 2 DOUBLE Bed End Of Terrace
- * Lounge
- * Kitchen/Diner
- * Bathroom
- * Private Rear Garden

- * Garage In Block
- * Sought After Location
- * NO UPPER CHAIN
- * Gas To Radiator Heating



NEW

MEDBOURNE

50% Share £68,995

- PHOTO SHOWS BLOCK
- * 2 Bed 1st Floor 50% Shared Ownership Apartment
- * Lounge With Balcony & Open Plan Modern Kitchen

- * Fitted Bathroom
- * Views To Front
- * Double Glazed & Gas To Radiator Heating
- * Allocated Parking



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50% Share £87,500

- * A Well Presented 3 Bed Semi Detached 50% Shared Ownership
- * Lounge With Dining Area
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- * En Suite Shower To Master Bedroom
- * Allocated Parking
- * AVAILABLE NOW



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£695 PCM

- * A Modern 2 Bed Semi Detached House
- * Lounge
- * Re-Fitted Kitchen/Diner
- * Re-Fitted Bathroom

- * Enclosed Rear Garden
- * Allocated Parking
- * Sought After Location
- * AVAILABLE FROM 1st April 2009



NEW

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£675 PCM

- * An UN FURNISHED 2 Bed End Of Terrace
- * Lounge
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- with wardrobe
- gardens
- driveway
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- lounge/diner
- garage
- avail March
- unfurnished

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- lounge
- kitchen
- bathroom
- large rear garden
- parking

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A 3 bed semi detached

- cloakroom
- conservatory
- lounge/diner
- en-suite to master
- garage
- avail end march
- furnished

BANCROFT PARK £750 PCM



A 3 bed detached house with garage

- cloakroom
- refitted kitchen - white goods
- lounge
- refitted bathroom
- rear garden
- avail now
- unfurnished

TWO MILE ASH £650 PCM



A 2 bedroom semi detached

- cloakroom
- lounge/diner
- bedrooms with wardrobe
- broadband, bt, sky included
- avail now
- part furnished

LIDLINGTON, BEDS £1,200 PCM



An executive detached house

- 4 bedrooms
- kitchen-integrated app
- utility & cloakroom
- study
- separate receptions
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- 4pc bathroom suite
- rear garden
- garage
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A 3 bedroom semi detached

- lounge
- conservatory
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- utility
- cloakroom
- refitted shower room
- very well presented
- large rear garden
- garage
- unfurnished
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- Internal viewing highly recommended



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- Single Garage
- Refitted Kitchen
- No Upper Chain



Far Blechley £129,995

- 2 Bedroom End Terrace
- Good Decorative Order
- Conservatory
- Off Road Parking



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- 2 Bed Mid Terrace
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Integrated Kitchen Appliances
- Re-fitted Bathroom



Fenny Stratford £114,995

- 1 Bedroom Flat
- Allocated Parking
- Rear Garden
- No extra Charges



Blechley £129,995

- 1 Bedroom Bungalow
- Double Glazing
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Single Garage



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- Two Bedroom Apartments
- Ensuite to Master Bedrooms
- £1000 Cash Back
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- UPVC Double Glazing



Town Centre £149,995

- 3 Bedroom Terrace
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Short Walk To Local Shops
- Call Now To View !



Tattenhoe £52,000

- 40% Shared ownership
- One bedroom house
- Cloakroom
- Rear garden



Downhead Park £95,000

- 50% Shared ownership
- Three bed semi-detached
- Re-fitted kitchen & bathroom
- Off road parking



Bradville £184,995

- Three bed detached
- Separate receptions
- Garage
- Well presented

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- Gas central heating
- No upper chain



Monkston £149,950

- End of terrace
- Three bedrooms
- Cloakroom
- L shape lounge/diner
- Larger than average rear garden
- Off road parking
- Builders PX
- Must be viewed



Great Holm £154,995

- Link detached house
- Two double bedrooms
- Kitchen/diner
- Garage
- Front & rear gardens
- UPVC double glazing
- Well presented
- Internal viewing recommended



Furzton £209,950

- Detached property
- Three bedrooms
- Three receptions
- Kitchen & utility
- Conservatory
- Re-fitted bath & ensuite
- Overlooking parkland



Deanshanger £189,000

- Large Extended House
- 3 Reception Rooms
- 4 Bedrooms
- Ground Floor Bedroom/Ensuite
- Needs Updating - Price accordingly



Potterspury £189,000

- Character Stone Cottage
- Large Lounge
- Large Conservatory
- 3 Double Bedrooms



Yardley Gobion £135,000

- Corner Plot
- Lounge
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- Good Size Garden



Galley Hill £129,995

- Priced to sell
- Vacant Possession
- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Large Utility / Cloakroom
- Garage & Gardens



Deanshanger £199,995

- Semi Detached
- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast room



Deanshanger £139,995

- 2 Bed Bungalow
- Gardens & Parking
- Countryside Views
- Vacant Possession



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- 2 Bed Apartment
- Over 60's Warden Assisted
- Close to Town Centre
- No Upper Chain



Stony Stratford £225,000

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- * Semi detached house
- * UPVC double glazed conservatory
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- * UPVC double glazed windows
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Single garage with parking
- * Situated on a corner plot
- * Viewing strongly recommended

WOLVERTON £165,000



- * 3 double bedrooms
- * Many original features
- * Three reception rooms
- * Upstairs bathroom
- * Downstairs cloakroom
- * Utility room
- * Upvc double glazing
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Backing onto Recreation Grounds

GREENLEYS £150,000



- * 3 bedrooms
- * Semi detached bungalow
- * UPVC double glazing
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Lounge/diner
- * Off road parking with carport
- * Situated on a corner plot
- * Cul-de-sac location
- * No upper chain

BRADVILLE £225,000



- * 3 bedrooms
- * Detached house
- * Two reception rooms
- * UPVC double glazed conservatory
- * Kitchen with appliances
- * UPVC double glazed windows
- * En-suite to bedroom one
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Single garage

WOLVERTON £190,000



- * 3 Bedrooms
- * End of terrace property
- * Many original features
- * Separate reception rooms
- * Kitchen/breakfast room
- * Downstairs cloakroom
- * Upstairs re-fitted bathroom
- * One & half width garage
- * Overlooking Tennis Courts

PROPERTY OF THE WEEK

WOLVERTON

£275,000



- * 4 bedrooms
- * Detached house
- * Separate reception rooms
- * UPVC double glazed windows
- * Bedroom one with en-suite
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Large rear garden
- * Off road parking
- * Formerly two houses

WOLVERTON £167,500



- * 3 bedrooms
- * En-suite to bedroom one
- * Upvc double glazing
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Downstairs bathroom
- * Re-fitted kitchen with appliances
- * Off road rear parking
- * No upper chain

NEW BRADWELL £135,000



- * 2 double bedrooms
- * End of terrace house
- * Lounge / dining room
- * Re-fitted kitchen
- * Upstairs bathroom
- * Double glazed windows
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Rear garden
- * Close to local amenities

WOLVERTON £249,950



- * 4 Bedrooms
- * Double bay fronted property
- * Separate reception rooms
- * Cellar converted study
- * Original fireplaces
- * Sash cord windows
- * Re-fitted bathroom suite
- * Re-fitted combination boiler
- * Downstairs cloakroom & utility room

NEW BRADWELL £130,000



- * 3 Bedrooms
- * Mid terrace property
- * Separate reception rooms
- * Original features
- * UPVC double glazed windows
- * Gas to radiator heating
- * Enclosed rear garden

STACEY BUSHES £127,995



- * 3 Bedrooms
- * Mid terrace property
- * Open plan lounge/diner
- * Re-fitted kitchen with oven & hob
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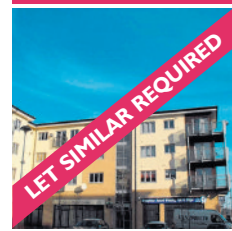
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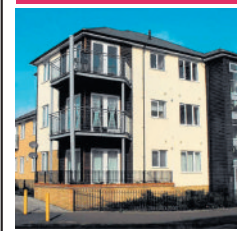
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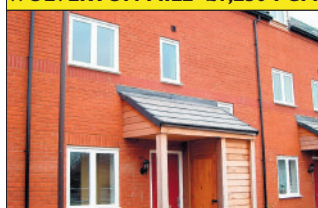
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A DESIGNER watch company has been named as one of the best companies to work for Britain.

Wolverton Mill-based FOSSIL UK, whose licensed brands include DKNY, Burberry, Emporio Armani, Diesel and Marc Jacobs, has been accredited with the prestigious 'best companies' mark.

Having celebrated its 25th anniversary this year, FOSSIL will be ranked in the Sunday Times' list of best places to work this month.

The accreditation is based on employee feedback on a number of factors, including staff well-being.

Since the UK head office was set up in Milton Keynes ten years ago, its workforce has grown massively, and range of products has extended from watches to accessories and jewellery.

Despite the economic climate it is continuing to note rising sales.

Managing director Giles Bushby said: "The gaining of the 'best companies' accreditation is the culmination of three years of team work here at FOSSIL UK. "The acknowledgement of our efforts

is gratifying from an external body and shows the enormous strides we have made. We value our staff as one of the primary assets that we have and, despite a wonderful result, are determined to perform better in next year's accreditation.

"FOSSIL UK continues to grow as a wholesaler and retailer despite the economic turmoils, and will take every advantage of opportunities in the market whatever the financial climate. We have grown over 50 per cent in the last five years and will continue to maintain this rate of growth in the next five."



FOSSIL UK MD Giles Bushby, right, receives the Best Company award

Quality service raises the toner

AN entrepreneur is defying the downturn with his new business refilling printer cartridges.

Mike Cooper, who runs a franchise of Cartridge World in Queensway, Bletchley, is seeing his business increase by 12 per cent each month.

The company puts its success down to the increasing cost of original manufacturers' printer cartridges.

Mr Cooper said: "It may seem surprising how well the business is performing in these lean times, but to me it's logical.

"The combination of offering a high quality product which is good value for money and environmentally friendly is a winner, especially in a time of recession.

"People are realising that they can save money and not compromise on quality by shopping here, as well as feeling reassured that they are being 'green'. My customers also appreciate receiving service that is more personal than that offered by a large, anonymous chain store."

New venue as Women and Work symposium captures imagination

DUE to an overwhelming response Milton Keynes Women and Work Group has expanded its upcoming conference.

The event on Friday, March 13, has captured the interest of successful women throughout Milton Keynes, who are eagerly offering to donate their time to attend.

Seeking to improve economic conditions for women in Milton Keynes, the event will now be held at The Holiday Inn Hotel in Central Milton Keynes.

The confirmed attendees include leader of MK Council, Isobel McCall

and the mayor of Milton Keynes Cllr Jan Lloyd. Attendees range across voluntary, public and business sector organisations such as Milton Keynes College, The Open University, MKCVO, Women's Aid & John Lewis

As well as being a forum for generating ideas, the morning will include: details from the latest research exploring 'Women's Journey to Sexual Equality' (Women and Work's current research publication); the launch of Women and Work's new initiative 'Women Supporting Women' and an

opportunity to network with other local successful women.

The event will be facilitated by Sue Lickorish of infusion coaching & development who has kindly donated her time.

Women and Work would like to extend their thanks to the Holiday Inn, which is providing the facilities at a reduced rate as their donation to the symposium.

There are still a few places left, so if you would like to take part telephone Janice Jones on 01908 200186 or 01908 200676 to reserve your place

New jobs at BlueSquare data centre

A NEW high-tech data centre will be officially opened on Friday.

BlueSquare Data Group runs data centres - facilities for the storage and support of the data servers that deliver the content of the Internet and store data for companies.

It is expected the opening will bring 30-40 jobs to the area.

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Technical director Matthew Munson said: "MK is a vital next step in our development as an eminent data centre partner for our clients.

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'Baby boomers' staying in work

STANDARD Life has published research demonstrating a transformation in attitudes to retirement among the baby boomer generation in the East of England.

Rather than retirement being when they stop work, just under a third of adults aged 46-65 want to continue to be involved at work, but on their own terms.

This rises to 49 per cent of 46 to 65-year-olds who are wealthier. Only 13 per cent of their parents' generation wanted to stay in some kind of work at retirement.

In addition, about one in 20 baby boomers stated they hoped to embark on a new business venture in their long term future, rising to seven per cent of those who are wealthier.

This is seven times the number from their parents' generation.

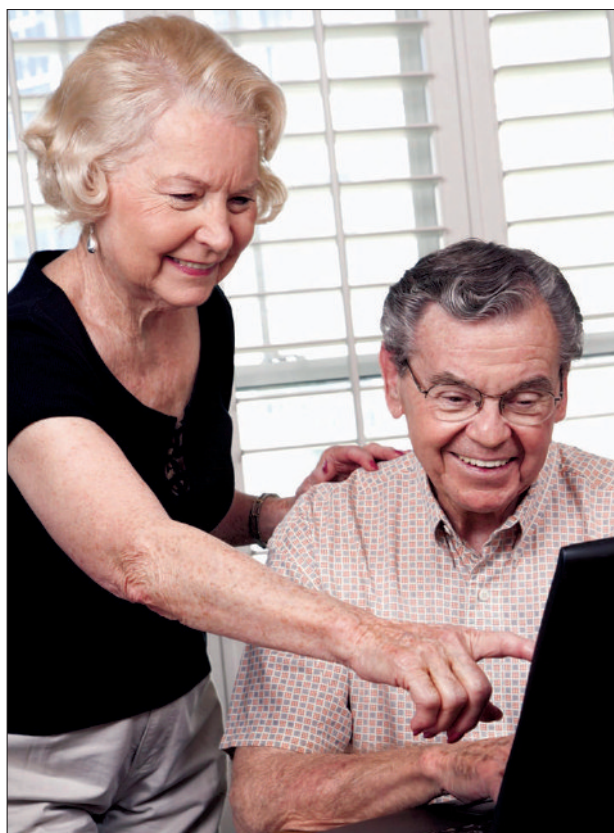
Commenting on the findings, John Lawson, head of pensions policy at Standard Life said: "The fact that the baby boomer generation wants to remain engaged with work is a lifeline to both the economy and subsequent generations.

"More than 50 per cent of the population should be economically active. In an ageing population this becomes more challenging and risks creating a disproportionate tax burden for the next generation and starving business of skills and experience. Business and Government need to do more to support an active workforce who are keen to remain engaged."

The research also found that people aged over 46 are more ambitious in other areas of their life, they want to travel more, build stronger relationships and learn more new skills at retirement.

As the structure of the UK population has changed, baby boomers will be healthier, wealthier and live longer and intend to take full advantage of this.

At a recent event hosted by think tank Reform, Nigel Waterson MP shadow pensions minister said: "It's all about flexible retirement. Part-time working should be open to all. If older people want to start new businesses this is great and should be encouraged."



Bogus courses plumb depths

A CITY-BASED skills company is warning people looking for a new career against bogus courses.

In particular SummitSkills, the sector skills council for building services and engineering which is based in Fox Milne, is advising people to beware expensive plumbing courses that will not lead to the employment they expect.

It advises that the best route to getting qualified is through an apprenticeship that combines classroom theory and practical on-site experience with an employer.

Keith Marshall OBE, boss of SummitSkills, said: "We have received many calls from people who have taken up expensive short-term training that leads to virtually worthless qualifications."

"Short courses rarely provide the skills or qualifications recognised by employers or reputable trade associations. It's all too easy to consider one of these courses as a route to employment, but in reality these courses do nothing for your prospects."

"It is a tragedy if someone unfortunate enough to be made redundant suffers again by handing money to a rogue trainer."

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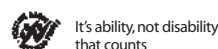
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DONS' SCORE FIRST

August

9	Leicester	A	0-2
12	Norwich (CC)	H	1-0
16	Northampton	H	1-0
23	Huddersfield	A	3-1
26	Cardiff (CC)	A	1-2
30	Swindon	H	1-2

September

6	Yeovil	H	3-0
13	Oldham	A	0-2
20	Colchester	A	3-0
27	Peterborough	H	1-2

October

4	Millwall	A	4-0
7	Bournemouth		
	JPT	H	0-1
11	Carlisle	H	3-1
18	Crewe	A	1-1
21	Stockport	H	1-2
25	Cheltenham	H	3-1
28	Leyton Orient	A	2-1

November

1	Tranmere	H	1-0
8	Bradford (FAC)	H	1-2
15	Hartlepool	A	3-1
22	Walsall	A	3-0
25	Hereford	H	3-0

December

6	Scunthorpe	H	0-2
12	Brighton	A	4-2
20	Leeds	H	3-1
26	Bristol Rovers	A	2-1
28	Southend	H	2-0

January

12	Colchester	H	1-1
17	Carlisle	A	2-3
20	Peterborough	A	0-0
27	Leyton Orient	H	1-2
31	Cheltenham	A	5-3

February

3	Stockport	A	1-0
14	Hartlepool	H	3-1
21	Tranmere	A	1-1
28	Leicester	H	1-1

March

3	Northampton	A	Abandoned
7	Swindon	A	
10	Huddersfield	H	
14	Oldham	H	
17	Millwall	H	
21	Yeovil	A	
24	Crewe	H	
28	Leeds	A	

April

4	Brighton	H	
10	Southend	A	
13	Bristol Rovers	H	
18	Scunthorpe	A	
25	Walsall	H	

May

2	Hereford	A	
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Above: Leicester goalie Mark Bunn dives as Peter Leven shoots. Centre: Leven chests in the rebound for Dons' second before celebrating what should have been the winner, right

Time stands still for Foxes

MK DONS 2

Leven 36, 63

LEICESTER CITY 2

Fryatt 5, Gradel 90



BY SIMONE CORGAN

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MK Dons turned in their best performance of the season against League One leaders Leicester City only to be denied victory by a stunning free kick during ten minutes of added time.

Dons were furious when Max Gradel sent the ball crashing into the top corner even though the stipulated five minutes of injury time were up.

It was a huge blow as the Dons were on course to cut the Foxes lead at the top to nine points after a near faultless display.

If there was a blemish it was allowing Matty Fryatt far too much space to move when he turned inside Miguel Llera and slotted past Willy Gueret to put Leicester in front inside five minutes.

Dons learnt their lesson quickly and soon took hold of the game.

A flurry of efforts, notably from Luke Chadwick and Jason Puncheon, almost brought the Dons level.

It was Peter Leven, in another man-of-the-match performance, who levelled with a drive from 25-yards.

The midfielder then put the Dons

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

		HOME					AWAY								
		P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Leicester	35	11	6	1	31	11	10	6	1	34	18	36	75	
2	Peterborough	35	10	4	3	32	18	8	5	5	31	28	17	63	
3	MK Dons	32	9	2	5	29	17	10	3	3	35	19	28	62	
4	Oldham	35	9	7	2	32	17	6	6	5	23	27	11	58	
5	Millwall	33	9	4	4	22	17	8	3	5	24	21	8	58	
6	Leeds United	34	11	2	4	35	19	6	2	9	19	22	13	55	
7	Scunthorpe	33	8	4	3	29	19	8	2	8	28	29	9	54	
8	Stockport	35	7	6	5	27	21	7	5	5	24	18	12	53	
9	Tranmere	34	11	4	3	31	17	4	3	9	15	23	6	52	
10	Huddersfield	34	8	6	4	26	21	5	4	7	19	28	-4	49	
11	Walsall	34	9	1	6	26	23	4	7	7	22	24	1	47	
12	Colchester	34	6	4	8	18	18	7	4	5	29	28	1	47	
13	Southend	34	9	2	6	19	14	4	5	8	20	34	-9	46	
14	Bristol Rovers	32	7	3	5	29	19	4	7	6	24	25	9	43	
15	Hartlepool	35	7	7	4	36	29	4	3	10	14	26	-5	43	
16	Carlisle	34	7	3	6	28	23	4	4	10	16	29	-8	40	
17	Northampton	32	6	4	23	16	3	4	9	19	27	-1	37		
18	Yeovil	33	3	7	5	17	21	6	3	9	14	26	-16	37	
19	Swindon	33	5	5	7	28	31	2	8	6	19	24	-8	34	
20	Crewe	37	2	2	7	24	27	3	2	12	21	36	-18	34	
21	Leyton Orient	34	3	4	9	14	23	5	5	8	14	21	-16	33	
22	Brighton	32	3	5	9	20	33	4	6	5	15	17	-15	32	
23	Hereford	31	6	4	6	21	15	2	2	11	10	32	-16	30	
24	Cheltenham	33	4	4	9	24	35	1	3	12	15	39	-35	22	

ahead in the second-half when his strike came back off goalie Mark Bunn and hit him in the chest.

Although a little fortuitous it was a well deserved lead and Leven believes this was the best all round game the Dons have played all season.

"Against a top team I think we've passed them off the park. Our one and two touch football was different class. I thought everybody was unbelievable today especially going a goal behind against the leaders but we're just

absolutely gutted we never got three points."

The feeling of defeat, rather than a point gained, at the end of the game for the Dons was not just down to the unexplainable added minutes.

But the foul on Steve Howard which resulted in Gradel's point-winning free-kick was disputable.

Boss Roberto Di Matteo said: "I think we played extremely well. We created many, many chances against the best defence in the league.

"Let's not forget it's a newly promoted team in this league, the players have done really well this season so far.

"I think the supporters can be very proud of this team, very proud. We had a high quality of football, it didn't feel like League One. It felt more like a Championship afternoon."

The game, in front of a record 17,717 fans at stadiummk, was a glimpse into the future. Attractive football, swelling crowds and big name opponents.

The dream that Championship football could come to Milton Keynes is becoming ever closer to reality.

Leven added: "I think we are good enough for the Championship. The gaffer and Eddie (Newton) tell us to play the right way with the ball on the carpet. All we need to do is put the ball in the back of the net at the end of it.

"We're getting there slowly but hopefully we'll get in the Championship next season."

MK Dons: Gueret, Regan, O'Hanlon, Llera

(Belson 90), Lewington (c), Johnson, Navarro, Leven, Chadwick (Stirling 72), Puncheon (Baldock 90), Wilbraham. Booked: Johnson, Puncheon, Leven.

Leicester City: Bunn, Gilbert, Morrison, Brown (Powell 86), Mattock (Gradel 78), Oakley (c), King, Berner, Dyer (Cleverley 60), Howard, Fryatt. Booked: Howard.

Referee: Andy Penn (West Midlands)

Attendance: 17,717

PREVIEWS

SWINDON TOWN

League One

Saturday, March 7

The County Ground

KO 3pm



FORMER Dons boss Danny Wilson has already experienced a home defeat at the hands of the Dons this season, but at that time he was in charge of Hartlepool United.

Wilson's shock departure from Hartlepool opened the door to his new role at Swindon and he has a difficult job to keep the Robins away from the drop to League Two.

Another familiar face at the County Ground will be winger Jon-Paul McGovern who left the Dons in 2007.

Dons defender Sean O'Hanlon will be returning to his former hunting ground.

Jason Puncheon is suspended for the Dons.

HUDDERSFIELD

League One

Tuesday, March 10

stadiummk

KO 7.45pm



HUDDERSFIELD will be seeking revenge following the Dons' 3-1 win earlier in the season.

On that day the Dons outclassed their opponents who were expected to be challenging for automatic promotion or a play-off place.

The Terriers have fallen slightly off-pace although a run of good form and a few slip ups from their rivals could see them sneak back into play-off contention.

Jim Goodwin is suspended for the visitors after picking up his tenth booking of the season.

While former Dons winger Malvin Kamara has been ruled out for the rest of the season with a torn hamstring.

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Magnificent seven see Lightning in title race

ICE HOCKEY

MK LIGHTNING 4 BRACKNELL BEES 1

GUILDFORD FLAMES 2 MK LIGHTNING 4

SEVEN straight victories have ensured MK Lightning are in the race for the English Premier League title.

Lightning won their games against Bracknell Bees and Guildford Flames at the weekend but still dropped off the top of the table due to Peterborough Phantoms winning two of their games in hand.

The Phantoms returned to the summit but Lightning remain on their tails trailing by just one point.

Although Peterborough do still have an extra game to play and could extend their advantage to three points.

A large home crowd cheered Lightning to victory on Saturday when they outplayed Bracknell Bees.

A notoriously tough game for Lightning was a breeze as Andre Smulter, assisted by Nick Poole and Chris McEwen, opened the scoring on 6.57 minutes.

Three minutes later Lightning doubled their lead when Gary Clarke and Lukas Zatopek helped Joakim Wiklander find the back of the net.

Bracknell tried desperately to break Lightning's defence but neither side could add to the score line during the second period.



Gary Clarke fires in a shot against Bracknell Bees

Pic Jez Tibbets

With 18 minutes remaining Lightning took a commanding 3-0 lead when Matt Towalski fired past the Bracknell net minder.

The visitors managed a response on 43.04 through Joe Baird but it was to be a consolation goal as Gary Clarke grabbed the final of the evening to give Lightning a 4-1.

Clarke's weekend became even better on Sunday when he netted a hat-trick for MK.

Lightning, without Greg Randall, started the scoring on the night with Clarke scoring his first on 12.05.

It was a marginal lead Lightning would hold for thirty minutes before Clarke grabbed his second which was unassisted.

Guildford soon came to life when Lucas Smital pulled one back for the hosts but Andre Smulter reinstated Lightning's two goal advantage soon after.

Flames ensured there was a nervy finish to the game when they made the score 2-3 in the final period through a Milos Melicherik power play goal.

However, Lightning's star man and captain Clarke struck six seconds from time to seal his hat-trick and another four point weekend.

■ LIGHTNING are away to Swindon Wildcats on Saturday, face-off 5.45pm, on Sunday they host Slough Jets at Planet Ice.

Brown injury lets in Jets for overtime win

BASKETBALL

ONE win and one defeat has seen MK Lions slip to eighth place in the British Basketball League.

Cheshire Jets leapfrogged Lions after back-to-back victories which included taking two points at Bletchley Leisure Centre.

It took a period of overtime to separate the two sides Chez Marks' three-pointer was the final score to secure the game for the Jets.

Lions had led the game 24-15 in the opening quarter and they stretched it to 45-38 thanks to Yorick Williams' ten

MK LIONS 97

New 20, Brown 19, Eddie 17

CHESHIRE JETS 101

Myers 27, Virgil 23, Perre 18

WORTHING THUNDER 84

Ivanovskis 23, Mbye 15, Woods 15

MK LIONS 100

Eddie 30, Brown 19, Obazuaye 19

points.

Terrell Brown added ten points after the break giving the Lions a healthy advantage but the Jets were able to claw

their way back to within four points heading into the final stanza.

Lions were dealt a huge blow when Brown was forced off with injury and Shawn Myers came into a rich vein of form for the Jets and Marks took the game to overtime where he won two important points for the visitors.

The Lions ensured they would not drop out of the play-offs with an impressive win at BBL new boys Worthing Thunder.

Tommie Eddie was in stunning form hitting 30 points for the Lions.

Eddie and Jayson Obazuaye got Lions off to a fine start with early scores although Jonathan Woods was able to

narrow the scoreline to 22-27 at the break.

Thunder were unable to restrict Lions' scoring as they turned a 36-44 lead to 57-72 with ten minutes remaining.

Lions were not threatened in the fourth quarter as they continued to connect from long range with Dru Spinks, Williams and Brown all hitting three-pointers.

The lead peaked at 25 points when Spinks scored to make it 66-91 before the Lions eased through the final five minutes.

■ LIONS travel to Worcester Wolves on Sunday, tip-off is at 4pm.

Olney in non-stop effort to boost fund for field

RUGBY

OLNEY Rugby Football Club have organised a 'non-stop' day of the sport to help fund their new playing fields.

The local club bought the land, Doff's Field, at the back of the club house and have already raised £40,000.

But that is only the halfway mark on the total and the additional £40,000 is proving hard to come by.

They have already launched a 'buy a square' project where people can buy a piece of turf on Doff's Field for £25 a square.

Olney are asking former players who have pulled on their shirt, or anyone who has every wanted to play for the club to join in on a special day of events.

A games of rugby will last for four hours in which time the rules and players will change according to the age bandings, with each player on the field for around ten minutes.

Whether contact rugby is played is entirely optional.

Players from every section of Olney's club will be taking part with the mini section beginning the game.

The players will be split into two teams the 'cerise' team and the 'grey' team paying homage to Olney's pink and grey strip.

It is hoped people from past and present will take part in the game, with social events planned for the evening to raise further money.

The day will coincide with the formal opening of Doff's Field and is set to take place on September, Saturday 5.

Those taking part will be asked to pay a small amount towards running the day.

■ To register your interest e-mail nonstoprugby@live.co.uk with contact details.

SPORTS SHORTS

Local football

FOUR different goalscorers helped Stony Stratford Town to a 4-0 win over Crawley Town in the Molten Spartan South Midlands division one.

Buckingham Athletic beat Crawley Green 3-1, while New Bradwell St Peter held Harpenden Town to a 1-1 draw.

The luck was out for Winslow United who conceded an unanswered six at Amersham Town.

Last night Stony Stratford Town were due to play Cranfield United and Winslow Town travelled to Bedford.

In division two Mursley United beat Bletchley Town 2-0 and Old Bradwell United lost 3-0 to Tring Corinthians.

Pickering boost

VICTORY at the Prague Meeting of World Record Holders was a timely boost for Craig Pickering ahead of the European Indoor Championships.

Sprinter Pickering equalled his season's best in the 60 metres clocking 6.58secs, beating former world champion Kim Collins in a photo finish.

This weekend Pickering will go head-to-head with gold medal favourite

Dwain Chambers in the Indoor Championships in Turin.

MK long jumper Greg Rutherford is also in action.

Bobsleigh blues

GREAT Britain's bobsleigh team missed the chance to seal a place in the 2010 Winter Olympics after a disappointing World Championships.

The team, which included former Radcliffe School student Keith McLughlin, needed a top 15 finish to secure a spot in Vancouver but could only manage 17th.

England choices

TWO Milton Keynes rugby players have been selected to play for the England Colleges Squad of British Colleges Sport in the Under-19s 'A' Team.

Edd Rhodes, from Willen, and Wesley McGimpsey are currently both studying at Moulton College.

Rhodes began playing rugby at Olney and, since recovering from injury which has plagued him for two years, he has been training with Aylesbury Colts and Bedford Blues Academy.

McGimpsey played for Milton Keynes

Rugby Club and for the County U14s. He met Rhodes at Aylesbury RFU and they have both gone on to study at Moulton College where, in addition to their studies, they have both completed coaching courses to encourage younger players.

They have to raise a minimum of £320 each to take part in the British Colleges programme, however, the real cost including additional kit, travel and accommodation is closer to £2,000 for each of them.

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Players applaud fans left singing in the rain

Ref abandons derby game at half time



BY SIMONE CORGAN
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DREADFUL weather resulted in MK Dons' game with local rivals Northampton Town being abandoned at half-time last night.

Fans at Sixfields Stadium booed the decision although the score was 0-0 with little action coming in 45 minutes.

Disgruntled Dons fans would have been relieved that they only a short journey down the M1.

The decision was made by referee Keith Stroud at the interval due continuous heavy rain and swirling winds ruining the game as a contest.

Both goal areas were covered in huge areas of water and massive puddles were causing the ball to hold up in the middle of the pitch.

Dons boss Roberto Di Matteo agreed with the referee's choice.

He said: "Looking at the pitch I think it was the right decision it's unfortunate because it hasn't rained for a couple of days. It just started in the afternoon, the pitch somehow doesn't seem to take it very well. It doesn't drain, you can see the water just sitting on top of the pitch."

Even the painted outlines were running off the the halfway line in the extreme weather.

Another consideration for the referee was the players' safety, a number of tackles had led Northampton and Dons players to skid yards across the pitch.

Once the announcement had been made both sets of players emerged from the dressing rooms to clap supporters.

Chairman Pete Winkelman also walked over to the 1,000 travelling Dons fans to applauded their efforts.

The abandoned game leaves the Dons with another fixture headache ahead of them.

They already face a busy March with seven games this month.

With a game every Tuesday and Saturday the match will have to be rearranged for April which already includes the Easter fixtures.

But Di Matteo was angered to learn the cautions Aaron Wilbraham and Sean O'Hanlon picked up will stand despite the game being called off.

He added: "The referee just said it's an FA decision so we'll have to ask the FA why they have this rule that the bookings count even though the game is invalid."

With Peterborough winning, the Dons have slipped to third in the table.



The Northampton defence clears the ball in the water from the foot of Sean O'Hanlon

MK DONS

Tuesday 10th March 2009

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MK Dons vs Huddersfield Town

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